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Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for your continued support in getting all pupils back into school safely. We are all committed to providing the best education for your child, while securing the health and safety of our whole school community. Thank you for continuing to follow public health guidelines and encouraging your children to do the same.

The students have been fantastic all week and particularly today, when we have responded to our first confirmed case of COVID-19. Most of our young people are unaffected and unaware, carrying on with the 'new normal' of life at Cedars. The older students who are aware of the news have responded with maturity. They continue to follow the guidelines; keeping to their bubbles, avoiding contact with other groups, keeping social distance wherever possible and carefully following hygiene measures.

We thank all of our students for how well they have all adapted to their first week back in school. It is truly comforting that they all seem to be so pleased to be here, relaxed and confident with the measures we have put in place. Their resilience, positive attitude and responsible conduct should make us all extremely proud. Attendance has been excellent this week. You have all done a fantastic job in preparing your children for the return to school. Thank you all.

With the number of confirmed cases increasing nationally and locally, it is highly likely, as with many schools, we will see some more confirmed cases. However, I want to reassure parents that we have been working very closely with our Local Authority and Public Health England and we have a robust process in place which follows their clear guidance if a case is detected in our school.

More information about the return to school procedures can be found on our school website (Advice & Guidance/Back to School):

<https://www.cedarstrust.org.uk/back-to-school>

Thank you all for your continued support in these challenging times.

Yours sincerely,

  
Martin Flowers

Headteacher