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27th January 2021

Dear Parents

I hope that this letter finds you and your families well. I just wanted to share with you the news that you will have no doubt heard in the media about the reopening of schools and confirm the arrangements for the half term break which is just 2 weeks away.

We have received confirmation from the Department for Education that schools will close as usual over the February half term and are not expected to remain open to vulnerable children and the children of critical workers during that week. I wanted to inform you of this as soon as possible as I am aware that this may have implications for those of you who have currently taken up a school place. I am hoping that by getting this information to you promptly, that you will be able to now plan for this.

Yesterday, we also heard from the Prime Minister that after half term, schools will be open only to those children who are classed as vulnerable or children of critical workers – those are the children we currently have in school. He went on to say that there was 'hope to begin opening schools on Monday 8th March.' We will of course keep you updated as soon as schools are informed.

Free School Meal Vouchers

The Government free school meal voucher scheme will not run over half term; however, once again, Torbay Local Authority will be using the funds allocated to them by the Government to provide a voucher for eligible children over the half term break. Eligible children are classed as those children who are entitled to income-based free school meals

Vouchers will be issued via the Wonde platform as they were at Christmas and we will keep you updated as to when they have been processed.

I would like to take this opportunity to once again thank you for your support and engagement with the remote learning offer for children who are not being educated on site. Teachers continue to be on hand to support you and we will always strive to help in any way that we can. We continue to recognise the different challenges that individual families face at this time and we thank you for all of your efforts. Remember to be kind to yourselves, to not compare yourself to others and to recognise your successes! All of the staff here at Ilsham send you our very best wishes and thanks for all that you are doing.

With my very best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'S.A. Ryan'.

Miss Ryan, Head of Academy



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