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Dear Home Learning Children and Families,

Well done for getting through another week in what we know are very challenging circumstances as families manage competing demands of home life, your own work and home schooling. We are very pleased with all that many of you are doing to support your children with their home learning so a big thank you for that.

When will school reopen to all pupils? – This is our understanding of the situation:

- That there will be a review of the national lockdown on 15th February which will take account of the vaccination programme, infection rates, death rates and NHS capacity.
- In the week commencing 22nd February the government will publish a plan for taking the country out of lockdown.
- Schools and families will be given two weeks' notice of any reopening of schools so the **earliest that schools could begin to reopen is Monday 8th March**. This will just be a potential start date and does not mean all children will be back in their classes, it could be that the return is phased by different age groups or it could be that the scientific data pushes this date back further – we hope not but that is the reality – there is no certainty.

Using a Mobile Phone as a Scanner – Did you know that if you have an iPhone or an iPad you actually have a scanner? Parents, if you are wanting to scan any work to your children's teachers, you can use the 'Notes App':

- Open a new note
- Press the camera button
- The option to 'scan' will pop up
- Once the document is scanned you can email it or upload in Google Classroom and you may find this easier than photographing pieces of work.

Google Meets – These are working very successfully. For anyone who has not taken part and who wants to, if you have any difficulties please contact your class teacher by email or by messaging in Google Classroom. Thank you.

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Climate Change Champions – Annie from Year 5 features as the cover story for the latest Big Issue. Go to: <https://www.bigissue.com/latest/10-year-old-climate-activist-reacts-to-becoming-a-big-issue-cover-star/> to read all about it. Aira from Owl Class also has a letter featured in this edition. Well done Annie, Aira and families for your work highlighting environmental issues.

The New Hinksey Staff Team wish you all a relaxing weekend.

Parents are welcome in our school