



Dear Parents and Guardians,

Watching the boys and staff filing back in to school on Thursday morning, having the opportunity to share a line or two with people we had not seen for six months, and then enjoying the first two days of term as the boys go about their business and we all learn new routines has been a magical experience. It is great to be back.

I will probably aim to write most weeks, not least as we get going. The first two days have, understandably, thrown up all sorts of things we can do better, and the management team is meeting every morning to review the previous 24 hours. Obviously, there are many constraints, but we are being as open as we can to all suggestions from staff, boys and parents. Thank you for letting us know about any re-opening issues at [Autumn2020@bedfordschool.org.uk](mailto:Autumn2020@bedfordschool.org.uk).

In general, the boys have settled into their new routines very quickly and responsibly. Lessons have been purposeful and calm, and I have just spent a great two hours wandering around a very ordered site popping into every nook and cranny. For now, I just have a couple of reminders for you and the boys please:

- The up to date school risk assessment can be viewed [here](#). My thanks to the summer team who spent literally weeks putting it together.
- Information for the term is in a special booklet [here](#).
- Please could you remember to furnish your boys with a small bottle of hand sanitiser; there is plenty around the site, too, of course, but we are pushing this hard. (The boys have been excellent, by the way.)
- We are set up to receive boys from 8.00am; please could you ensure that they do not arrive earlier.

I hope that your own experience of the past few days has been a good one as you, too, settle into new routines. Thank you for all you have done to make the start to this term so positive.

With kind regards indeed,

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Hodgson', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

James Hodgson  
HEAD MASTER