

Eastcombe Primary School

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Dear Parents,

Gavin Williamson spoke yesterday in Parliament to explain the return of school children in the New Year. Whilst there are changes to the start of term dates for Secondary school children, the start date for Primary school children in Gloucestershire currently remains unchanged.

All children at Eastcombe Primary School are expected to return to school on Monday 4th January.

The government guidance has been updated to reflect the revised tier system and includes information on schools: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/local-restriction-tiers-what-you-need-to-know#going-to-school-college-and-university>

There is also updated 'Stay at home' guidance for households with a confirmed or possible case of Coronavirus: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance>

Eastcombe Primary School continues to keep all its measures in place to limit the risk of transmission. We are once again reviewing our Risk Assessment in light of recent announcements and movement into Tier 4, and will inform you of any significant changes we make. The safety of our school community always remains our highest priority.

The government states that all pupils should continue to attend education settings unless they are one of the very small number of pupils under paediatric or other specialist care and have been advised by their GP or clinician not to attend an education setting. These children will have appropriate arrangements made for them to be able to continue their education at home. Our remote curriculum will also be available for any child with a COVID-19 related absence.

We will be keeping abreast of any further announcements and will communicate with you if we receive any changes to the above information.

Have a lovely, albeit quiet New Year's Eve and I wish you all good health and happiness for 2021.

Yours in partnership,



Mrs Claire Jones
Head Teacher