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Dear Parents/Carers

I would first like to say a huge thank you for supporting us getting your children back into school this week. I know there will have been a great deal of concern about sending your children back in but so far, we have had well over 95% attendance. This is over the city average attendance and the vast majority of those students not in have been shielding or returning from countries where the travel corridor has been closed. This speaks highly to how much our community values education and as the attendance has been increasing day by day suggests that the measures we have in place are keeping everyone reassured.

### **Drop off and Collection**

I would also like to thank you for dropping off and picking up away from the school site. Things have been generally calm but if I can remind you to not use Evington Leisure Centre car park and keep as far away from the school as possible that would be great. It is really important that we keep the test centre accessible and maintain social distancing so please encourage your children to walk some of the way to school.

### **Behaviour and Safety**

It has been wonderful to see how well organised and well behaved the vast majority of our students have been this week and again I want to thank you for preparing them so well to attend. The vast majority of students have been respectful of each other and of the rules we have put in place for their safety.

We have unfortunately had to send one student home for refusing to follow mask guidance as we are taking wearing of masks very seriously for obvious safety reasons. We have a limited supply of masks that we have been going through quite quickly, as students are managing to lose or break their own. It would be good if you could keep some spare masks so that they can be washed regularly and send your child in with a spare every day in case of loss or damage.

### **Food and Drinks**

One final reminder is around food and drinks. There are no water fountains available for students and cash will not be taken for food. Please send your child in with enough water to last them the day. If you have any issues with providing a packed lunch or using our cashless catering system then please contact your child's Head of Year.

I have thoroughly enjoyed meeting our students this week and despite the unique challenges we face at the moment, I look forward to working with our whole community to make this the most successful year ever at The City of Leicester College.

Yours sincerely



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**Head Teacher**