



STONAR

Independent day & boarding school
Nursery – Sixth Form

Monday 1 March 2021

Dear Parents,

I am sure you are all as pleased as we are to hear that schools are reopening, and we are hopefully taking small steps along the road to a more 'normal' way of life once again. I hope that you and your families have all managed to stay safe and healthy during the current lockdown.

We have liaised closely with both our license issuer, Wiltshire Council, and the British Horse Society to interpret the recent legislation and to apply it in context here at Stonar.

Please find the latest guidance for horse owners here:

<https://www.bhs.org.uk/advice-and-information/coronavirus-covid-19/england/yards-and-owners-lockdown-2>

I have laid out the relevant information below:

Lessons:

We anticipate that timetabled lessons are able to take place as normal from 8th March, although we are waiting for final confirmation from Wilts Council. However, clinics with external coaches will not be taking place until after 29th March. For pupils intending to bring in their own horses for lessons, please see the note on transport of horses below.

Liveries:

Whilst we are able to accept liveries, the current advice is that horses should be transported only for welfare reasons until after 29th March. Therefore, we must advise that as horse owners you each assess your own individual situation, and only transport your horse if you feel it necessary under welfare terms. If you have any queries regarding this, please do feel free to contact us.



Transport:

As mentioned above, transport of horses is only permitted on welfare grounds and coaching may only take place at the place the horse is kept. Therefore, pupils with horses kept at home (for example, day pupils who bring their horses in for riding lessons) will not be able to travel their horses in for lessons until after 29th March. We can of course provide a school horse if required for the remainder of the Easter term.

Please do not hesitate to get in touch if you have any concerns or would like to discuss further.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ellie Halsey".

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