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Monday 27th September 2021

Dear Parent/Carer of Year 8 and Year 10 students



I hope that this letter finds you and your families well.

I am writing to you today to inform you that currently we have a significant number of positive Covid cases in years 8 and 10.

Local health colleagues have advised that we ask all students in years 8 and 10 to undertake a PCR test as an additional precaution so that we are able to ensure that infection and transmission rates remain as low as possible. Whilst awaiting a PCR test result we also recommend your child takes a daily lateral flow test before attending school. As with previous guidance,

please inform us if your child does test positive. Students can attend school as normal whilst waiting for results of the PCR test <u>unless they have symptoms</u> (in which case they should remain at home until symptoms clear) <u>or receive a positive lateral flow test result</u>.

I thank you in advance of supporting us with this addition to our risk assessment. It is imperative that we continue to work together to ensure that students can continue to attend school and so that we do not have to return to a period of remote learning for certain year groups.

Below I have detailed the enhanced risk assessment measures we introduced last week on Thursday 23rd September:

- 1) Face Masks **must** be worn by all students and staff in all areas of the school with the exception of classrooms (except students who are exempt).
- 2) Desks in classrooms will revert to forward facing rows.
- 3) There will be a slightly staggered end to the school day. These are as follows: Years 7, 8 & 9 will leave at 2:45pm
 Years 10, 11 and Post 16 will leave at 3pm.
- 4) All PE lessons will be outdoors.
- 5) Unfortunately, we will be unable to welcome visitors into the school building.

Thank you for you continued support and please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any further questions or concerns.

Kindest regards.

Mr Clayton, Headteacher

