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Dear Parent\Carer

You will be aware that we have had a cluster of Covid-19 positive test results recently, resulting in various groups of children being required to self-isolate, though no student in Year 7 has yet been affected. However, we have also had a significant number of our staff being required to self-isolate which has put a considerable strain on our ability to provide high-quality, in-school provision. I have already taken the decision to ask all Year 9 students to remain at home for the rest of this week, while continuing their education remotely through Google Classrooms. In addition to that I also need to ask Year 7 students to work remotely, on rotation, for the next eight school days, beginning tomorrow, Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> November.

To minimise disruption and maintain continuity we are asking student in 7X1, 7X2, 7X3, 7X4 and 7X5 to work from home on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> Nov, Friday 27<sup>th</sup> Nov, Tuesday 1st Dec and Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec. Those in 7Z1, 7Z2, 7Z3, 7Z4 and 7Z5 will be in school on those days, but learning from home on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> Nov, Monday 30<sup>th</sup> Nov, Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec and Friday 4<sup>th</sup> Dec.

All students learning remotely should log in to Google Classrooms on their scheduled days at the usual school time (8:25am) and register online. We intend to keep, broadly, to the timings of the normal school day which are copied below.

Period 1: 9:00am to 9:55am

**BREAK**

Period 2: 10:35am – 11:35am

Period 3: 11:35am – 12:30pm

**LUNCH**

Period 4: 1:00pm – 2:00pm

Period 5: 2:00pm – 2:45pm

We fully anticipate that students in Year7 to return to school as normal on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December. For your information, we are also asking Year 9 students to remain at home for the remainder of this week.

Students should be familiar with Google Classrooms but please alert [data@hws.haringey.sch.uk](mailto:data@hws.haringey.sch.uk) if there are any issues with connection. I would also like to remind you that our “hotline” for reporting positive test results is: 0208 342 7975 and our “hot email” is [covid@hws.haringey.sch.uk](mailto:covid@hws.haringey.sch.uk)

Yours sincerely,



Patrick Cozier  
Headteacher

Highgate Wood School Student Council supports individual action to address the issues of Climate Change and promotes the United Nations top 10 recommendations.



5-minute showers



Drive less



Lights off



Local produce



Recycle



Meat-free meals



Zero-waste fashion



Unplug



Refill and reuse



Bring your own bag