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Dear Parents\Carers,

I hope that this letter finds you well and you and your children are looking forward to the coming half-term break.

Many of you will already be aware that we were alerted to a Covid-19 positive test result amongst the Year 10 year group bubble today. This is our first alert for some time, which reflects the fact that the incidence of Covid-19 has significantly reduced. At the same time, however, it does demonstrate that we need to keep vigilant and need to keep cautious.

Can I please remind you that we are still asking students to wear face coverings in the communal areas of the school building and that, unless they are exempt, they should come into school with a face covering every day.

I am taking this opportunity to share with you a letter from Dr Will Maimaris, Interim Director of Public Health Haringey, who stresses the importance of continuing with self-testing. In line with government requirements, the school will still maintain its "test and trace" role over the holiday break so please inform us if your child tests positive. If your child tests positive on one of the LFD self-tests or the PCR test, please contact us by email covid@hws.haringey.sch.uk or leave a message on 02083427970 ext. 238. If someone tests positive they should then self-isolate and you should be aware that parents and carers are now legally responsible for ensuring that their children under the age of 18 self-isolates if they are required to do so.

Dr Maimaris also confirms that cases of Covid-19 in Haringey are still very low and despite the positive test result in Year 10, we remain confident that our revised plans to begin "return to normal" from 21st June are safe, realistic and possible. Whilst we must be cautious in our relaxation of social distancing rules and mindful of any changes that may happen in the local area, we are absolutely committed to returning to normal as soon as possible.

Wishing you and your family a restful and enjoyable half term break.

Yours sincerely

Regards



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

