

10<sup>th</sup> September 2021

Dear Families,

I hope that you and your loved ones are all well. We have had such a positive few days and it has been wonderful to see how your children have settled back to school following the summer break. Whether your child has just started or has been with us for a while, we really hope that they have enjoyed their first week back.

In last week's letter, I outlined the school's current position on COVID-19 and I am delighted to say that the changes we have made have gone down really well this week. From increasing access to shared spaces to more opportunities to mix more freely and spend time with old friends, there have been so many lovely moments of connection and re-connection across all three sites.

Our commitment has always been to communicate frequently and openly with you about all COVID-related matters, including letting you know about any positive cases in the school. Since the first day of term, we have had two members of staff testing positive for COVID-19, but no one else has been affected nor missed any school as a result.

You will be aware from last week's letter that we have been working closely with our colleagues from the South East London Clinical Commissioning Group in recent weeks and, as a result, and with full parental consent, we were able to facilitate COVID vaccinations for a significant number of 12-19 year olds yesterday. If your child received their vaccination, we hope that the process worked well for you and your child. The vaccination team have already written to us to say: "A big thank you to your team for making our visit a pleasant and wonderful experience. The children were lovely and it was such a joy to meet them. We are also grateful to the parents who have trusted you and our team so please pass on our huge thanks to them as well".

This week has really flown by and that can only mean one thing ... time flies when you're having fun. We are all looking forward to what the coming weeks and months will bring and as always, please don't hesitate to get in touch if there is anything else we can do to support you or your child.

I hope you have a lovely weekend and with very best wishes,



Steve Solomons  
Headteacher