

16<sup>th</sup> July 2021

Dear Families,

I hope that you and your loved ones are all well. We have had a really good week at Riverside School and are making sure that the current restrictions aren't dampening our spirits. Yesterday, we held our Secondary Prom and whilst this looked different to previous years, it was eagerly anticipated and thoroughly enjoyed by our pupils. We look forward to sharing the photos with you next week. We ended the week on a real high, with our annual Riverfest event and it is with real pleasure that we share today's Riverfest on Tour film with you [HERE](#)

As promised in previous letters, we will continue to update you on a weekly basis should any of our pupils or staff receive a positive COVID-19 test result across the school and we will of course inform you immediately if your child is directly affected. Since last Friday, we have received confirmation of three positive cases (two members of staff and one pupil) in just one of our Primary classes at Riverside SPC, all of whom who were already self-isolating due to being close contacts of a positive case last week. One class in our Secondary Phase also had to self-isolate for just one day as a precautionary measure whilst waiting for confirmation of a test result.



You will have received a letter yesterday, accompanied by a small gift from us to you. The words: **Be Here. Be You. Belong** reflect our commitment to further strengthening a truly inclusive environment in which the whole school community feel welcomed, valued and confident to bring their wholes selves to the school. We look forward to sharing our work with you in the new academic year.



It's that time of year when we prepare to say good bye to pupils and staff who will be moving on. We held Leavers' Assemblies for our Year 14 leavers last week and these gave us the opportunity to share their journeys and celebrate their achievements. So, to all our leavers and their families, we are sending you our love and best wishes as you embark on the next chapter. Please stay in touch as we would love to know how you are getting on. In staffing news, I would like to pay tribute to all those staff who are also moving on next week: Charlie M, Rebecca, Maria, Martyna, Jo, Tony, Clare M and Michael. On behalf of the whole school community, thank you all for the difference you have made to so many pupils and families at Riverside School and we wish you all every success and happiness in the future.

Have a happy, healthy and sunny weekend,

Steve Solomons  
Headteacher