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Dear Parents and Guardians

With Half Term now upon us, I wanted to write to you with an update on, and a reminder of, the protocols that we have in place to stop the spread of Covid within the school community. Thank you for your vigilance thus far that has no doubt contributed to the fact we have not yet had a positive test result for Covid at Godolphin. The Senior Management Team have been working closely on effective protocols to ensure your daughters' safety in as far as is possible in these uncertain times. In light of the increased number of cases we are hearing about, I wanted to let you know of the procedure the School would implement if/when a positive case happens. I refer to our flowchart which details our responses in the event of those possible scenarios.

Meanwhile, we would politely ask that you remind your daughters of the following important measures to help to keep us all safe when they return after Half Term:

- ~ **Handwashing** to be done often, with soap and water, for at least 20 seconds
- ~ **Wearing of face coverings** within and around school, and
- ~ Following the guidance of the adage, **Catch It / Bin It / Kill It**, covering one's mouth and nose with a tissue and one's hands when coughing or sneezing, and washing hands afterwards.

For most people, especially children, Covid will be a mild illness, and a reminder that the most common symptoms are

- ~ a new and continuous cough
- ~ a high temperature, and/or
- ~ a loss of, or change in, normal sense of taste or smell.

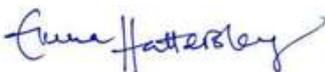
If a Sarum develops any of these symptoms, we ask that they remain at home and that you book an appointment for a Covid test. At that time, all other household members must also stay at home and self-isolate. When the test result is known, further advice will be given to you by the Track and Trace Team. Testing can be arranged by calling 119 or by accessing the NHS website (nhs.uk/coronavirus).

A reminder that, whilst your daughters will want to relax and enjoy their time away from studies, this is not a time to be complacent and we urge you to help ensure their, and other's, safety by not socialising outside immediate family.

As mentioned, please take a look at the Covid-19 Action Plan [here](#) that provides you with the School's procedure in the event of a Positive Case of Covid at Godolphin.

In the meantime, I wish you and your families a relaxing Half Term. We look forward to seeing the girls back in school on 2 November.

Kind regards



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