



BEVERLEY HIGH SCHOOL



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Dear Parent/Carer

I hope that this letter finds you safe and well.

Today is the end of the Spring term, one like no other! For most students it has consisted of eight weeks of remote learning followed by two weeks of in-school lateral flow testing and one week of COVID-normal schooling!

Happily, we have reached the last day of term without any Year 7-11 bubbles having to self-isolate and only a very small number of individual students missing from school due to household self-isolation. Attendance since we returned has been 96%.

Thank you to everyone who has made a huge effort to keep themselves and everyone else safe throughout this third lockdown and for your continued messages of support.

Reporting Positive COVID-19 Cases during the Easter Holiday

I have been asked to ensure that all parents and carers are aware of the following information and relevant arrangements regarding the reporting of positive COVID-19 cases during the Easter holidays.

If your child tests positive for coronavirus having developed symptoms within 48 hours of being in school you must email office@beverleyhigh.net to inform us of that positive test result. If your child develops symptoms more than 48 hours since being in school e.g. Monday 29th March onwards you do not need to email school. Instead parents/carers should follow contact tracing instructions provided by NHS Test and Trace.

The symptoms of COVID-19 are:

- **a high temperature** – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- **a new, continuous cough** – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- **a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste** – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal



Lateral Flow Testing

The government has asked us to relay the following message, “Following the success of the asymptomatic testing programme on the return to school, it is vital to keep testing at home throughout the Easter holidays and into the summer term. Please

- continue to test twice weekly over the Easter holidays
- test before returning to school for the summer term, either the night before or the morning of the first day back in order to find and isolate any positive cases.”

Additional test kits were distributed to students this week.

Uniform

As the weather will be improving over the coming weeks school uniform will be able to return to normal after the holiday without the need for lots of extra layers! Please ensure that your child adheres to the school dress code: normal uniform for non-PE days and PE kit for PE days. The holiday will also give any students who need to remove non-natural hair colours or false nails the opportunity to do so.

Take a Break

As during previous school holidays, students are advised to take a break from school work and enjoy some rest and relaxation. From Monday we are able to see one other household or within the “rule of six” outdoors and I’m sure we are all looking forward to being able to see family and/or friends in parks and gardens over the Easter period. Let’s hope for good weather!

As in previous school holiday periods, if there are further government announcements in the next fortnight that impact on schools and which you need to be aware of prior to the start of the summer term, I will, of course, be in touch.

Take care and stay safe

Yours sincerely



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Headteacher

