



15th October 2020

Dear Parents/carers

Thank you for your continued support this week, I really am so proud of the cohesion and care shown throughout our school community.

As you will know following the Prime Minister's announcement on 12 October, RBWM is now a medium risk category and cases are continuing to rise across the Borough, schools unfortunately are not immune. The school is required to communicate with parents/carers if there is a confirmed case, which is done diligently and in line with Public Health England's direction. Understandably this can be unsettling for parents but please be assured that we have to adhere to the strict guidelines regarding the sharing of information and we can only share what we are permitted to by Public Health.

Cox Green School has been commended by Public Health England and RBWM who have visited the school, for the excellent safety measures it has put in place to help limit the spread of this virus in the school and Borough. The school, like all other schools continues to review its measures regularly and all students and staff will now be required to wear a mask in between any lesson changeovers and in communal areas. Please can you ensure your child (if they haven't been wearing one already) wears a suitable mask from **Monday 19th October**, and before if possible, until further notice. Please ensure they have spares and non-disposable ones are washed daily.

I would like to say a very big thank you to all our staff who have been, and continue to be incredible. Kindness is so important at these times and I sincerely thank you for all the messages of support we have received acknowledging the hard work of our staff who really do go above and beyond every day. The continued positivity within our school community will ensure our students continue to be resilient during these unprecedented times. I would ask any parents/carers who have any worries or queries that they do communicate this to the school in the appropriate way so that we can explore appropriately.

We are proud of the remote learning program that we have in place: our students remain buoyant, engaged with lessons and are dealing with the changes in their everyday lives with maturity and resilience. They are an inspiration to us all. The role parents/carers play in supporting their children to meet the guidelines outside school is also very important and thank you for ensuring that students who are isolating continue to follow their timetables remotely.

Working together, we will, I am sure get through this most unusual period in all of our lives. I am truly proud of our school and wider community and your continued support is as always, greatly appreciated.

Yours sincerely

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