



HAMPSTEAD SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Carer

I am writing with a number of updates on the school's response to COVID-19.

Sports Day rearranged

We have taken the decision to rearrange Sports Day. Originally set to take place tomorrow (Friday 9 July), the increased prevalence of the virus in the community has resulted in significant numbers of staff having to self-isolate. Pressures around staffing, and the implications of receiving positive case reports on the day itself, mean it will not be possible to run the day to the standard we desire.

In replacement, each year group will take part in a full morning of inter-form sport. These 'Sports Day morning' events will line up with students' normal PE days.

Year Group	Sports Day morning – P1 to P4
10	Thursday 15 July
7	Friday 16 July
8	Monday 19 July
9	Tuesday 20 July

The PE department will be in touch with further detail at the beginning of next week.

Friday 9 July will now be a normal school day for all students.

Confirmed case update

We have had seven confirmed cases reported in the time since I last wrote. In the majority of cases, students were already self-isolating and we have only had to send two student bubbles home. However, there has been one instance of three students in the same bubble contracting the virus. Although concerning – this suggests transmission happened within school – it is also reassuring to know that the cluster was contained and shows that the bubble system acts to limit spread.

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Step 4 government guidelines


The government has issued new guidance for schools on COVID-19 management. I have included a summary document circulated to staff earlier this week. These guidelines come into effect after the move to Step 4 on the government roadmap, something likely to happen on Monday July 19.

The new guidance has a number of implications and, in order to provide reassurance and support student and staff wellbeing, we will maintain all existing control measures until the end of the school term.

We will be in touch over the course of the summer to give detail on our plans for September.

Have an enjoyable weekend and enjoy the football!

All best wishes

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Matthew Sadler
Head