



HAMPSTEAD SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers

Over the course of the half term break we received confirmation that four students, and two members of staff, had received positive COVID-19 test results. I am sure you will join me in wishing them all a speedy recovery.

This was not entirely unexpected given the changing national and local picture. It is a situation mirrored in other schools in Camden and around the country.

In some cases, students had been in school whilst in the contagious stage; where necessary we ran an immediate risk assessment, identifying close contacts and communicating with home about the resulting necessity for isolation.

In other cases, the break from school created by the half term holiday meant that there was no risk of transmission within the school community.

It will be reassuring to know that the cases did not appear to be connected and there continues to be little evidence of transmission within school; household transmission explains the majority of cases.

Our risk assessment process is very robust. If you have not been contacted directly about your child's need to self-isolate you can be very confident that they have not come into close contact with any confirmed cases.

We will continue to keep you updated on developments in school and any changes made necessary by the introduction of new restrictions from 5th November.

In the meantime, if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to get in touch via enquiries@hampsteadschool.org.uk.

All best wishes

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