



16<sup>th</sup> October 2020

Dear Parents and carers

Thank you for your support during what has been an unprecedented and challenging half term.

We have put in place a number of measures to prevent the transmission of Covid such as increased hand washing facilities and social distancing. We have reacted quickly to any concerns about Covid as soon as we have been made aware of them and we have consulted and taken advice from Public Health England, and followed it, on numerous occasions. It would appear that these extra measures are working as we have not seen an increase in transmission of the virus in school and have had only had one member of staff and one student report a positive test result for Covid.

Thank you for continuing to send your child into school. The attendance rate has steadily increased since the start of the term and is now at a similar level to previous non-Covid years. I would like to remind you that students need to be in school - on time - every day to get important information about exam subjects and revision, and to take part fully in all their lessons where they are now covering key revision topics. Please could you ensure that your child comes into school fully equipped: pens, pencil, ruler, calculator and full school uniform, details of which can be found in the contact book. Please continue to support the school by ensuring your child is in school every day. Minor ailments should not stop them attending, and any holiday taken during the school term will not only be unauthorised and subject to a fine, but could be considered negligent in terms of your child's final achievements. Should you have any questions or concerns - regarding COVID 19 or any other topic - please do not hesitate to contact our Attendance Officer, Mrs Mayzes, who will be able to advise and help you: [Nicola.mayzes@clevepark-tkat.org](mailto:Nicola.mayzes@clevepark-tkat.org) If your child tests positive for Covid-19 during the half term break please inform Nicola immediately.

Staff have been working hard to help students "catch up" on their studies that were missed during lock down and the vast majority of students have behaved very responsibly and responded positively to the new working arrangements. However, nationally the picture is looking less positive and cases are rapidly rising in the community with the potential for more restrictions in the London area. The school will undergo a deep clean during half term and the two-week closure should ensure that any traces of the virus on surfaces are eradicated.

**In light of the change to restrictions coming into force on 17<sup>th</sup> October, your child will now be required to wear a face covering while moving around the premises but not usually in a classroom. Please make sure you send your child to school with a face covering. If you are using disposable masks, you will need to ensure your child has sufficient for the whole day. Unfortunately, the school is not in a position to provide masks.**

I would like to take this opportunity to wish the students and staff a well-deserved break. Term resumes on Monday 2 November, but please check the website before sending your child in, in case we have had to close to a particular year group.

Yours sincerely

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