

18 September 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

RE: COVID-19 Updates

I am writing to reiterate what to do, should your child, someone in the household or someone you have been in contact with experience COVID-19 symptoms. We want attendance to be the best it can be, however, if children or staff need to isolate we will support them to do so.

Attached is a very easy to use table outlining the actions you need to take and when students can return to school.

- In the event of a year 10 or 11 isolating they will be sent work via the DPR from their class teachers
- In the event of a year 7-8 or 9 student isolating they should complete work set in the TASK GRID on our website - this can be found under the September 2020 tab (under remote working)
- In the event we need to close a bubble we will write to you to outline arrangements

We have experienced reports of testing being very hard to book. Both I and the chair of governors have raised this issue with Haringey Public Health and our local MP Catherine West as the lack of testing puts exceptional pressure on our families and staff. The lack of testing will result in our community members isolating for far longer than necessary in many cases. The situation is very frustrating for us all. We have worked tirelessly to get students and staff back into school, so for them to have to isolate as they can not access a test is very upsetting.

Please make sure you are reading our Friday newsletter to ensure you are getting all the latest news and you know how to contact us with questions, suggestions or comments and to provide feedback. To subscribe to our newsletter, simply visit the school website www.heartlands.haringey.sch.uk and complete the pop-up subscription form.

I anticipate the next few months as being those of disruption and continual change for our school community. Thank you for your on-going support during these unprecedented times. We are all working together to try keep things as stable as we can for you all and we appreciate your understanding.

Yours sincerely,

Elen Roberts
Headteacher



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