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Dear parents, guardians and carers,

Re. Office for National Statistics - Coronavirus Research in Schools

Thank you for the common sense approach that so many of you have expressed. I have chosen not to respond to some of the mildly hysterical views being aired through social media. Suffice to say that we are helping the Office of National Statistics with their survey every half-term. Only the students in Y7 & 8 who have parental consent are being tested.

We have so far had one of the lowest levels of positive Covid results in schools in the locality and we are confident that the steps we have been able to put in place with your support, are working well. I take the recent letter of commendation for our approach as a reflection of parents working so closely with us.

The healthcare workers that were in school spoke well of your children's politeness and engagement. The video below once again explains the reasons for schools supporting this national research: <https://vimeo.com/467359125/22bbe81c3b>.

Thank you once again to those of you who have expressed an informed, calm and rational approach to this matter which supports the continuation of education and the well-being of our community.

Yours sincerely

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