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Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope that you and your families had a lovely half-term together. It was a blessing that the weather was good for us.

Unfortunately, we had notification from Public Health, just before half term, that there has been a number of positive Covid-19 cases in school. Relevant classes were informed and had to self-isolate over half-term.

Local cases have increased significantly in the last week or so and as you can imagine, we are very concerned about the transmission of the new Indian/Delta variant within school.

For this reason, we are ensuring that our Covid-19 Risk Assessment (available on our school website) is strictly adhered to in school. We ask you to help us by ensuring the following:

- DO NOT send your child into school if they have a temperature, or are generally feel unwell (Book a PCR test for your child)
- DO NOT send your child into school if a family member has Covid-19 symptoms
- Wear a mask on the school site at all times and keep a social distance from others
- DO NOT congregate at the school gates, either before or after school
- Encourage your child to wash their hands before/after school
- Direct all general enquiries via telephone or email <u>enquiry@stjonmon.bham.sch.uk</u> (School Office closed)
- Direct all class enquiries to class emails
- Masks maybe worn in school if parents wish for their child/children to wear them

<u>Please note current guidance is that only secondary school pupils, NOT primary should</u> <u>be tested using the Lateral flow tests. If your child has symptoms (even if you have</u> administered a Lateral flow test and it is negative) you MUST book and PCR test for your child.

For information regarding symptoms go to:

https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/symptoms/

For information regarding what you can and cannot do:

https://www.gov.uk/guidance/covid-19-coronavirus-restrictions-what-you-can-andcannot-do

Thank you for helping us to keep our children and school community safe.

Yours sincerely,

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Head Teacher