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Dear Parent/Carer

Before we finish for half term, I wanted to update you with some important information.

I stated in my letter a couple of weeks ago that I have been delighted with our start to the new academic year and that has continued for the whole of this half term. Regaining some semblance of 'normality' in school has been great and the pupils have responded fantastically to our 'Standards Agenda', which will continue next term.

I have praised the pupils and staff in school for their participation in all the enrichment activities taking place at lunchtime and after school. I have also highlighted this in my latest blog which you can access [here](#). *Congratulations* to our Year 11 Football Team on reaching the Wigan Schools' Final, which will be played under the floodlights at Ashton Athletic next term.

You will have noted my concern at the rises in positive COVID cases. Despite seeing a fall in cases last week, they have risen again this week. I hope that the half term break next week will act as a natural firebreak and we will see a significant reduction in the number of positive cases in school. If this is not the case however, we will be directed by Public Health England to reinstate the wearing of face coverings in communal areas and/or classrooms. I will of course, write to you with an update in a few weeks' time.

As always, I would like to thank you for your continued support which is always greatly appreciated. Please remember that if you or your child are struggling with any aspect of school life, do not hesitate to get in touch with us and we will do our very best to help.

Yours faithfully



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