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Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for your understanding around the abrupt end to last half term due to Storm Eunice. We return to a new half term with perhaps new worries and preoccupations, but as ever will aim to ensure that the spirit of St. Edward's pervades and reassures, keeping our students engaged with their learning.

During the half term break COVID guidelines were updated, and therefore there is no longer the requirement to wear masks in school unless a student would like to. We will be maintaining our hand sanitiser and anti-viral cleaning routines as a precaution, and will make any further adjustments if and when the need arises.

Please can I ask for your help in reducing further the low levels of COVID we have experienced in school by ensuring that you keep your child at home if they display any of the following symptoms:

- A high temperature
- A new, continuous cough
- A loss or change to your sense of smell or taste

Current guidelines ask that students do not attend school if they are infectious, and take an LFD test from 5 days after their symptoms started, followed by another one the next day. If both are negative, they can return to school if they feel well enough to do so, and do not have a temperature.

With your help, and everyone doing their bit, we can continue to preserve the high quality of educational provision that you have chosen for your child.

I hope to see many of you at our school production of Grease next week, and look forward to welcoming you back to our campus.

Yours sincerely,

Mr M Antram Headteacher