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Dear parents/carers

## CoDA COVID update

I hope that all members of the CoDA community managed to have a relaxing half term.

I am delighted with the continued efforts that the school community is putting in to protect ourselves from the spread of coronavirus. The changes which we have put into place from the 7th June 2021 are currently working and we are balancing students being able to access subject specific bases, as well as keeping safe.

However, the local picture within Derby, and its wards, shows an increase in positive cases, particular linked to the Delta variant. We will continue to monitor the local data but if it continues to rise as it currently is, we will have to put further preventive measures in place.

To support reducing the spread of the coronavirus, can I please remind all parents/carers to encourage their child to complete twice weekly asymptomatic tests. This message is also of importance to the DfE, please follow the link to an open letter to parents/carers issued by Gavin Williamson, Secretary of State for Education:

## https://bit.ly/gavinwilliamson

In addition, can I remind parents/carers that your child **must** wear face coverings whilst walking around school and they will be asked to sanitise their hands whilst moving between spaces in school. I would also like to remind parents/carers to ensure their child has a clean/new face covering each day.

As a further reminder, if anyone in your family have any symptoms of COVID-19 please self-isolate and remain isolated until a PCR test result has been provided.

Currently, we are planning events in school, such as activity days and sports day, however, if the local data continues to change we will update our plans accordingly.

Yours sincerely

Mr P Smith Headteacher