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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back after half term, we hope this letter finds you well and families managed to enjoy the half term break, it is fantastic to have students back in school.

As we all adjust to the Prime Minister's announcement of new national restrictions from Thursday 5th November, we wanted to reassure you that - unlike the previous lockdown - schools are not included and City Academy will remain open during this time. We will continue to follow the protective measures we have in place to ensure the safety and wellbeing of all pupils and staff.

COVID-19 protective measures

In line with [Government guidance on face coverings in education](#), all pupils, along with staff and visitors to school, are required to wear a mask when moving around indoors. For example, when moving between lessons, or going to/from breaks; when queuing for lunch or the toilet; on their way into school and at home time.

Generally, it is not necessary for your child or their teacher to wear a face covering in the classroom, due to the extensive procedures we have already put in place. However, they may wear a face covering within the classroom if they wish.

We have been delighted by how quickly and responsibly pupils have adapted to the measures in school this term. We will continue to keep them under review, and to do everything possible to keep the school environment safe and supportive for all.

Confirmed or suspected cases

We are grateful for the swift action earlier in the term of parents whose children had confirmed or suspected cases of COVID-19, which enabled us to quickly trace close contacts and limit further spread of the virus. We ask that you only send your child into school if they are well. If they have any of the coronavirus symptoms (a high temperature; a new, continuous cough; loss of taste or smell) they should not come into school and you should arrange for them to be tested. Anyone coming into contact with someone with COVID-19 should self-isolate for 14 days.

Remote learning

We will continue to provide a full programme of remote learning via Microsoft Teams for any child required to isolate. Your child should already have details of their logins but if they require a reminder, please contact the school office who will be able to assist.



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News away from coronavirus!

We are pleased to be able to share positive news of our successes from last term:

Many of you enjoyed watching BBC Midlands Today's coverage of our partnership with the Birmingham Rockets basketball team. This tie-up is giving pupils access to elite training from professional coach and Commonwealth Games Hometown Hero Ricardo D'Alva – improving their skills and aspirations on and off the court!

During our recent leadership week students' skills and potential were celebrated across the Trust, with the election of new School Councillors and the naming of the Eternal Flame Fellow just some of the highlights.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support to school as we respond to the coronavirus pandemic. Please do not hesitate to get in touch if you have any further questions.

Yours faithfully

Mr Bailey
Headteacher

Miss Slater
Headteacher