

Dear Parents / Carers

As we are nearly into December there are few things I'd like to draw to your attention please.

### **Infection rates**

We are enjoying a period of extremely low cases of positive test results within the wider RHSC community. This is great news. That trend was started on our return from half term and has continued since. However, there are still too many pupils arriving at school without face coverings, which is really disappointing as it reflects a possible complacency towards personal safety and that of others. Please ensure you send your children to school with a face covering. News of the latest variant of the virus gives us a timely reminder that we simply have to stick strictly to the essential measures we are taking at school; please talk to your children and make it clear to them that they have to take this very seriously. We will continue to receive advice on measures in schools, and will let you know should what we are doing need to be adjusted. I hope you find it reassuring that the government recommendations around the wearing of face coverings is exactly what we have been doing at RHSC for quite a while already.

### **School Events**

We will continue to decide upon the feasibility of each event on an individual basis. As current infection rates are so low we are planning to go ahead with the annual Carol Service on Tuesday 7th December at St Mary's Church, Reepham, at 7pm, but will keep you informed should those plans change at all.

### **Cashless School**

Thank you for the huge amount of collective support you have given us in setting up your accounts. Although still very new this will quickly become second nature and prove to be a more efficient and effective method by which to pay for anything school related. We will always be pleased to hear from anyone who needs further support in managing their account.

### **Last day of term**

As always, we will celebrate the end of term by closing early on the last day of term - Friday 17th December. We will confirm exact arrangements nearer the time, but we intend to finish at 12.50pm, with buses leaving school at 1pm.

Finally, good luck to all Year 11 pupils in their mock exams. We are on course for a summer of actual exams this year, so the chance they offer pupils to practise will be invaluable.

Regards

Tim Gibbs