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Dear Parent/Carer

I hope this letter finds you safe and well.

You will be aware that we have had a number of confirmed cases of COVID-19 at Park View Academy in the last 10 days. Those who have been classed as 'close contact' have been informed and asked to self-isolate.

After a conference call with Public Health England and the Local Authority, I have been asked to write to parents to reiterate the current Tier 2 restrictions. These can be found at <u>https://www.gov.uk/guidance/local-restriction-tiers-what-you-need-to-know#high-alert</u>.

In particular:

- You must not socialise with anyone you do not live with or who is not in your support bubble in any indoor setting, whether at home or in a public place (this includes sleeping in another household)
- you must not socialise in a group of more than 6 people outside, including in a garden or a public space this is called the 'rule of 6'
- > Maintaining social distancing (that's keeping a 2m distance between you and others)
- Working from home if you can
- Regularly washing your hands for 20 seconds
- Wearing a face covering where advised
- > Limiting your social interactions with others
- Carrying a tissue to catch coughs and sneezes, immediately bin your tissue and then wash your hands

Please pay particular attention to the bullet points in bold above. These restrictions will vary slightly over the Christmas period so please keep up to date via the government website and televisions briefings.

In addition, Knowsley are now offering testing facilities for people who are not displaying COVID-19 symptoms. These sites are:

- Huyton Volair, Knowsley Leisure and Culture Park (Longview Drive)
- Kirkby Volair, Kirkby Leisure Centre (Cherryfield Drive)
- Halewood Volair, Halewood Leisure Centre (Baileys Lane)

No appointment time is needed. Test results should be processed in around half an hour and taking part in the mass testing pilot is completely voluntary. Tests are self-administered, and the process only takes a few minutes.

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It is important to remember that, if you do receive a negative test result, you are only negative at that moment in time and regular (weekly) testing is encouraged.

Finally, thank you for your support and understanding throughout these extremely challenging times. Your words and messages of support really have helped. I wish you a peaceful and safe Christmas break.

Yours sincerely,

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Mr D Kenny Executive Headteacher

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