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### COVID UPDATE

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> July

Dear Parents and Carers,

Firstly, I would like to thank you for engaging, where you can with the remote learning this week and allowing the school to make the necessary arrangements to ensure the site is COVID secure. Please remember our approach has always been 'Do what you can!'

Whilst, we cannot ignore the last 10 days has been a concern for Raysfield with children, parents and some staff contracting COVID in a way we have not experienced before. We are reassured by the local authority and Public Health department we have taken every possible measure to reduce transmission within school. We will, of course, continue to have a **safety first approach** when your children return next week. The school has been deep cleaned and all our safety measures are in place regarding good hygiene, bubbles, face masks and swift entry/ exit procedures.

Here's the COVID update for today. We still have 13 confirmed cases. There has been no more confirmed cases today or yesterday.

Year R: 4 cases recorded in total. No further changes.

Year 1: Both children tested received negative PCR results. No need to close bubble.

Year 2: 0 cases recorded

Year 3: 4 cases recorded. These cases are from Finch class. There have been no further cases reported today.

Year 4: 0 cases recorded. No further changes.

Year 5: 4 cases recorded. No further changes. These cases are from Heron class

Year 6: 1 positive case confirmed on PCR.

To those parents who have contracted COVID, please ensure you use the PCR timings to self-isolate your household. The PCR test will confirm the isolation period, which will go beyond our isolation dates if you tested more recently.

We know that you will feel nervous about returning, but we are confident we have the measures in place to keep your child and our staff safe from further transmission. We are also very keen to ensure your children do not miss out on anything more and it is a delicate balance between risks of COVID and risks to their social development and learning by keeping them at home. We are very much looking forward to seeing Year R,1,2,3,4 and 5 on Monday.

*Very best wishes, Mrs Claire Hill*