23 July 2021

Dear parents,

I am writing with a final Covid-19 update before we sign off for the end of the year.

Over this week we have had positive PCR results in Reception, Year 4 and Year 7. It has been disappointing to have to ask these bubble classes to stay at home, but we know that by doing so we have ensured that we have not contributed to the spread of Covid-19.

We trust that families will continue to take advantage of the opportunity to get vaccinated, we strongly encourage all eligible members of your household, particularly those younger 18-30 years olds who have not been vaccinated, yet to do so.

We have supplied Secondary Pupils with Lateral flow tests over the summer and we encourage all pupils to continue to test. They should not however report these to the school, but log them with the NHS.

Although the responsibility for tracing contacts now officially falls to Test and Trace, we believe we can still contribute over the next few days if there are any positive cases in school that we are made aware of. So, if you receive a positive PCR test up until 12pm on Wednesday 28th July, please email parents@kingsolomonacademy.org (not any other email address) with proof of the positive test. If you do this we will pass this information on to the bubble. This will simply be to inform the bubble of the positive case, there will be no direction of isolation, as the official responsibility for identifying these contacts and directing isolation will fall to NHS Test and Trace. Only they will be informing individuals of their child’s contacts. Between 28th July and 31st August inclusive please do not inform the school of any symptoms, LFD tests or PCR test results (unless your child is attending the KS3 summer school, in which case separate guidance will be issued). During this period from 28th July to 31st August we will not be responding to Covid related updates or informing the community of any test results. We will write to you in late August to inform you of any updated protocols for September.

Thank you for your support in keeping the community safe.

Yours sincerely,

Mr. Haimendorf
Principal