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Dear Parent/Carer

On the last day of this half term, I wanted to start by repeating my thanks to all of you for your ongoing support. Over the last term the efforts of everyone to observe the hands, face, space, fresh air guidance has meant that, on the whole we have not seen too many cases of Covid-19 in the Trust. As a result, the number of people needing to self-isolate has been minimal. Thanks are also due to staff across the Trust, whatever their job, as they have continued to work tirelessly and relentlessly to minimise the impact of Covid-19 on the learning and experiences of students whilst dealing with their own personal situations. Students too have brought to life the mindsets of their individual academies similarly showing resilience and determination in their approach to their learning. It really has been a team effort. The combined commitment and resilience of everyone continues to make me extremely proud to be part of Isle Education Trust.

As we begin the half term break however, there is most definitely an understandable sense of fatigue with all things Covid. It is now more important than ever that we remain vigilant and continue to do all that we can to stop the spread of the virus. That is why I would again urge you to make use of the opportunity to order free LFD asymptomatic home testing kits for use by parents and carers to complement those already provided to students aged 11 and over.

To order tests for home delivery, use this link:

[Order home testing kits](#)

or

to access local sites for testing or collecting kits use this link:

[Book a test/collect test kits for a test site](#)

The DFE has produced a blog on why reporting your test result is as important as taking a test, featuring guidance, answering FAQs and detailing financial support available for parents whose children are asked to self-isolate, which you can access [here](#).

Finally, I hope that the half term week brings with it some nice weather and the opportunity for you to spend time together with friends and family (albeit in line with current guidance and restrictions!)

I look forward to working with you when we return on Monday 7 June.

Take care and keep safe

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'S J Sprack'.

S J Sprack
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