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Dear Parents and Carers,

### **Head of School's Update – October Half Term 2021**

As we are fast approaching the October break and I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support during an exciting and busy first half term. In many ways our school has returned to more normal ways of working. Students are taking part in practical activities once more and they have many varied options for extracurricular clubs, teams and groups. It has been an absolute pleasure to see so many taking part with such enthusiasm.

We have welcomed over 350 new students in Years 7 and 12 to our school and College@Deyes. They have all settled in well, demonstrating the values we are so proud of daily and are already very much an integral to Team Deyes. I hope they are looking forward to their next half term when so many new opportunities and events will be offered to them. Many of these and other achievements will be celebrated in the newsletter which will be sent to you shortly.

Although many students have had fantastic levels of attendance this half term, there have been some instances in which students have needed to learn from home. I would like to reassure you that any student who is at home but well enough to attend lessons will be invited to do via TEAMS by their usual teacher. If you have any issues with this, please do contact us at school.

### **Uniform**

Our students wear their uniforms with pride and have almost always been exemplary in their standards of dress this half term. I would like to take this opportunity to ask for your support in terms of footwear. Trainers are not part of school uniform and should only be worn for PE. In a very small number of cases a medical note will result in a student being given a pass to allow the wearing of trainers. Please ensure that all students have correct footwear to return to school on 1<sup>st</sup> November 2021.



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### **Home Testing COVID-19**

Thank you for your continued support with Covid-19 home testing. We know how important it is for you to be able to send your children to school and this is our absolute priority.

Please encourage your children to continue testing and [report](#) results twice a week, at home, throughout the October half-term school holiday and take a test before returning to school on 1<sup>st</sup> November 2021. All results should be reported, even if your result is negative or void.

All students have been provided with test kits at school today. Please check if your child has received enough of these test kits to continue testing over the half term break. You can help them to take the test and report their results. Testing is free of charge. If you do still require more home testing kits to continue testing over half term, you can also order more [online](#) through gov.uk or collect from your local pharmacy.

By testing your child twice, a week over half term, you will help us to reduce transmission of Coronavirus and minimise disruption to students' education, to you and your household. Please contact us if you have any questions or concerns about home testing.

Following the end of the half term on Friday at 3pm, we re-open at the usual time on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2021. I hope that half term provides a welcome break and that your families remain safe and well.

With kind regards

Mrs Victoria L Beaney  
Head of School



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