

THE SACRED HEART LANGUAGE COLLEGE

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Important Covid Information

Dear Parent,

Please find attached an urgent letter from the Director of Public Health in Harrow. This outlines the concerns regarding the new variant of Covid 19 that has badly affected Harrow and surrounding areas of North West London.

As the letter explains public health are going to undertake a massive programme of surge testing in all high schools prior to half term in order to try and limit the spread and prevent further local lockdowns.

We have been allocated Monday. The test will be a PCR test that is self-administered in the same way that pupils are undertaking their lateral flow tests. If you have previously given permission for testing then you do not have to do anything else. If you now wish for your daughter to be tested or wish to withdraw permission then please send a letter to school with your daughter on Monday. Please make sure your daughter is clear as to whether she will be tested or not.

The intention is that this testing will also take place with all staff and pupils' families. We expect that home testing kits will be issued on Monday from the Public Health team.

I apologise for the late notice of this but we have only just been informed. This is a vital step in ensuring that we can continue to keep everyone safe in or school and wider community. As this is a cause for concern in the Harrow area, please remind your daughter of the importance of adhering to the established protocols we have in place.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Yours sincerely

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Executive Headteacher

