

## FAO All Parents/Carers of Bradgate Education Partnership

Dear All

Re: Covid update

As we return following the half-term break I am writing to update you on the situation regarding Covid across the Trust and to give you some insight into our plans for the coming months.

As you are no doubt aware we have been managing increasing numbers of cases of Covid across our Trust, with all schools affected and managing at least a handful of cases and some of our schools heavily impacted before the break. We are constantly tracking and reviewing the cases but currently we are not seeing an overall pattern, with spikes or outbreaks localised within individual schools or year groups. At the moment we are expecting this pattern to continue and flux during the Winter, although we are optimistic that cases may drop – particularly in our secondaries following the rollout of the vaccination programme. Therefore, if there is a spike in cases at your child's school or year group we may continue with steps to increase measures temporarily. This has so far worked with reasonable success.

Heading towards Christmas we would like, wherever possible, to maintain normality for our pupils. Therefore, as long as the situation allows and case rates are relatively low we will try to press ahead with any planned activities, including those linked to the festive period. However, we would ask that you are prepared for these events to be amended, postponed or even cancelled at relatively short notice in the unfortunate event of a local rise in cases.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Yours Sincerely,

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Chief Executive Officer

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