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Dear Parents/ Carers

## Important update from Hounslow Local Authority

I hope you are all keeping safe and well. I have been asked to share this information with you from Hounslow Local Authority regarding the current Covid-19 status in Hounslow and the very clear need and message to “**stay at home**” wherever possible.

*Hounslow Council’s Director of Public Health, Kelly O’Neill, has said:*

*“Around one in thirty people in London are currently infected with COVID-19. In Hounslow, where 49 people died with COVID-19 in December alone. The picture is just as stark and the number of deaths are due to the increased numbers of cases of infection and people requiring hospital care and will increase in January.*

*This current very high rate of infection in our borough is increasing fast- as the Prime Minister said when announcing school closures - schools can act as vectors for the virus. Right now, we need to keep doing everything we can to stop the virus from spreading. We agree with the Government’s decision to close schools and for schools to only stay open for those pupils who are in the greatest need; this emergency measure will help schools to maintain a safe environment for children and staff.*

*“As the Government’s guidance has made clear, **where people can keep their child/children at home for remote learning, they should.** The simple truth is that if schools become overused, the lockdown will fail. If schools become overused, the demands on teachers will mean schools cannot operate safely. We are appealing to schools to limit as far as possible the extent to which they offer emergency childcare on site, and to maximise take-up of online learning at home. We appeal too to families to keep their child or children learning at home.*

*Without the continued support of everybody, this lockdown will not work”*

*For more information, please visit: <https://www.hounslow.gov.uk/coronavirus>*

If you need any further support with home learning please do email your Year Team leader or contact us at school and we will support you remotely.

I would like to ask all parents who are Key Workers to **please find other alternative childcare support which involves staying at home wherever possible in the next few weeks.** As from next week, Monday 18<sup>th</sup> January, we will be requiring you to provide proof of working hours. The government have advised that all children stay at home wherever possible as the first option.

Kind regards

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