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Dear Parents/Carers

I hope that this letter finds you and your families well.

I am writing to update you all on some particular areas of school life during these unusual and complex times.

Firstly I would like to thank you all for your support in encouraging our young people to wear face coverings. I would estimate 98% of the school population are wearing face coverings, with the remainder being unable to wear one.

In relation to further Covid19 safety arrangements, I thank you for your support when a young person is sent home following our procedures. We very much appreciate you informing us of the results received.

To date there have been no positive results. Please rest assured that if a positive case is detected the school will be directed by Public Health Grampian on how to handle this and all appropriate contacts would be alerted.

Related to in school activities we are as yet unable to run after school extra-curricular activities. We are, however, running two very small lunchtime activities related to Health and Wellbeing in S1 and S2.

In terms of traditional parents evenings these are not allowed at this time. We have no details as to when this might change. We are looking at different ways of being in communication with you about your young people's progress. Our intention is to send tracking reports to you at appropriate times.

Considerable work is ongoing across the school to enhance online learning. Please note that if your son/daughter is absent due to awaiting Covid19 test results they should be able to access class work via the systems set up during lockdown. All should be collated in Satchel One (Show My Homework) where details of where to access class work will be.

Please note a useful guide to ICT use was sent to all parents prior to the start of the summer holidays.

Our Parent Council has an important role in communication. Unfortunately our current Parent Council Chairperson has had to resign. I am therefore keen to collect names of anyone interested in joining the Parent Council and would aim to hold a Virtual Parent Council AGM before the October holidays.

Please could you email your name and daughter/son's name to admin.speysidehigh@moray-edunet.gov.uk by Tuesday 22 September to intimate your interest in joining our Parent Council.

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I will endeavour to keep you up to date with any further developments.

Please do not hesitate to contact school if there is anything further you would like to discuss.

Yours faithfully

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