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Dear Parents and Guardians,

I sincerely hope my email finds you well and that you have had a lovely Summer. We all look forward to welcoming your sons and daughters back to Dollar next week.

I am very pleased to say that pupils will be returning to a boarding community with increasing freedoms and more relaxed Covid-safe protocols, that will allow everyone to enjoy the full Dollar and boarding experience. However, we do want to start the session off as safely, and as covid-free as possible. With this in mind, and in line with government guidance for all students returning to residential accommodation, we would like to ask all returning UK boarders to take a PCR test, and for that test to be negative, within the 72 hours before returning to the boarding house. As you will understand, we want to do all we can to ensure that Covid-19 is not brought, inadvertently, into a boarding house as we start this new academic session.

You can book a free PCR test through the following website: <https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test>

You will be asked a number of questions as you book your test. At the appropriate point select: 'I am a student returning to University in Scotland'. This is the closest match in terms of pupils returning to boarding schools.

Houseparents will be in touch shortly, if they have not been in touch already, with more general arrangements for pupils returning to boarding houses next week, but I wanted to inform you of this added precaution, in order that you have plenty of time to organise a PCR test.

We will be writing more generally about return to school arrangements at the end of this week. However, as always, if you have any specific questions about your return to boarding, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

With best wishes,



Simon Burbury
Deputy Rector