Schools' Strategic Partnership Board (SSPB) Extraordinary Meeting

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COVID-19: Current Position - National

Plan B:

- Move to Plan B confirmed as new variant Omicron is spreading rapidly across UK.
- Early analysis suggests cases could be doubling at a rate of as little as 2.5 to 3 days.
- Face masks to become compulsory in most public indoor venues, other than hospitality.
- NHS Covid Pass to be mandatory in specific settings, using a negative test or full vaccination via the NHS Covid Pass.
- Vaccines and testing remain the best lines of defence.
- People asked to work from home if they can.



COVID-19: Current Position - National

- Currently 568 cases confirmed across the UK and early analysis from the UK Health
 Security Agency (UKHSA) suggests the doubling time could be as little as 2.5 to 3 days.
- Urgent work ongoing to understand the impact of the new variant with regards to vaccines, treatments and transmissibility.
- Most recent data suggests Omicron has a very high growth rate and is spreading rapidly.
 Omicron cases have grown from 0.15% of cases during the week of 21st November, to 3.3% of cases since 5 December in England.
- As seen in previous waves, a swift rise in cases can lead to a rapid rise in hospitalisations, which will quickly lead to pressure on the NHS. The data in South Africa is showing a rapid increase in hospitalisations.

COVID-19 - Current position for Hillingdon

1) CASES:

- Total cases between December to date 1,012 cases;
- Rate per 100k (rolling 7 day period 6/12) is 384.8 per 100k, up from 244.3 at last SSPB. London (422.5, up from 208 per 100k at last SSPB).

2) Of the 1,012 cases:

- Approximately 28.9% associated with schools
- 3 cases at MQS Facilities
- 5 social care case
- 1 University
- All other cases Individuals or households.



COVID-19 - Current position for Hillingdon

2) TEST POSITIVITY

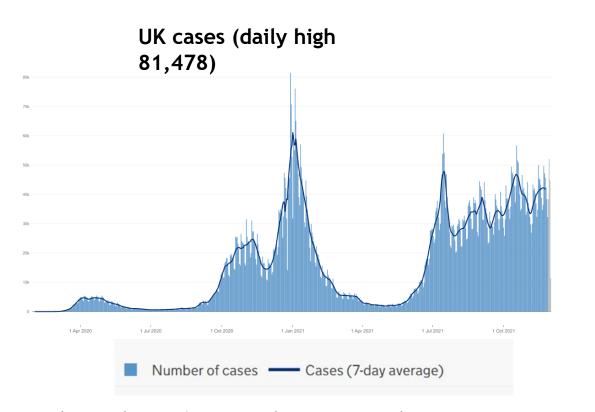
- Test positivity rate currently 8.1% (up from 4.9% at last SSPB).
- PCR Tests is 639.5 per 100K higher than London average 586 per 100k.

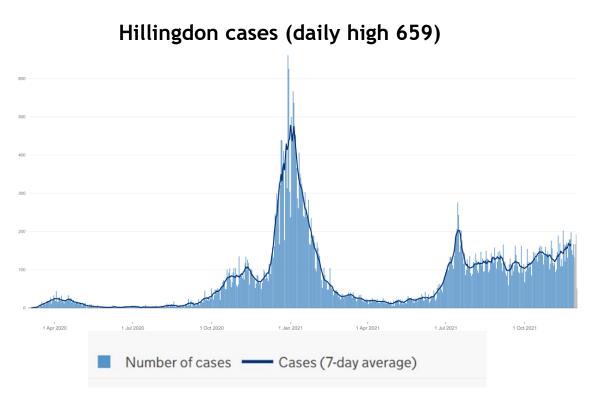
3) VACCINATIONS:

- 1st dose completion is currently 73.3%.
- Second dose is 66.3%
- Booster Dose 27.6%.



Total cases, national and Hillingdon



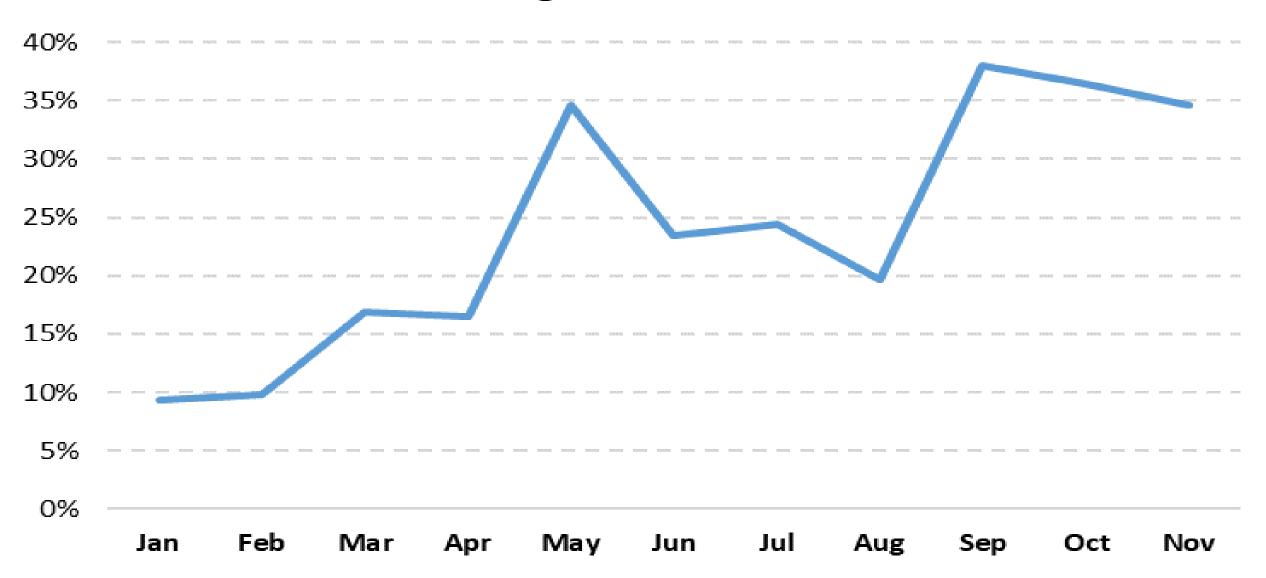


Total number of cases, last 8 months

	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November
Total cases	498	578	1,089	4,269	3,682	3,418	4,016	4,394
Average per day	17	19	36	138	119	114	130	146

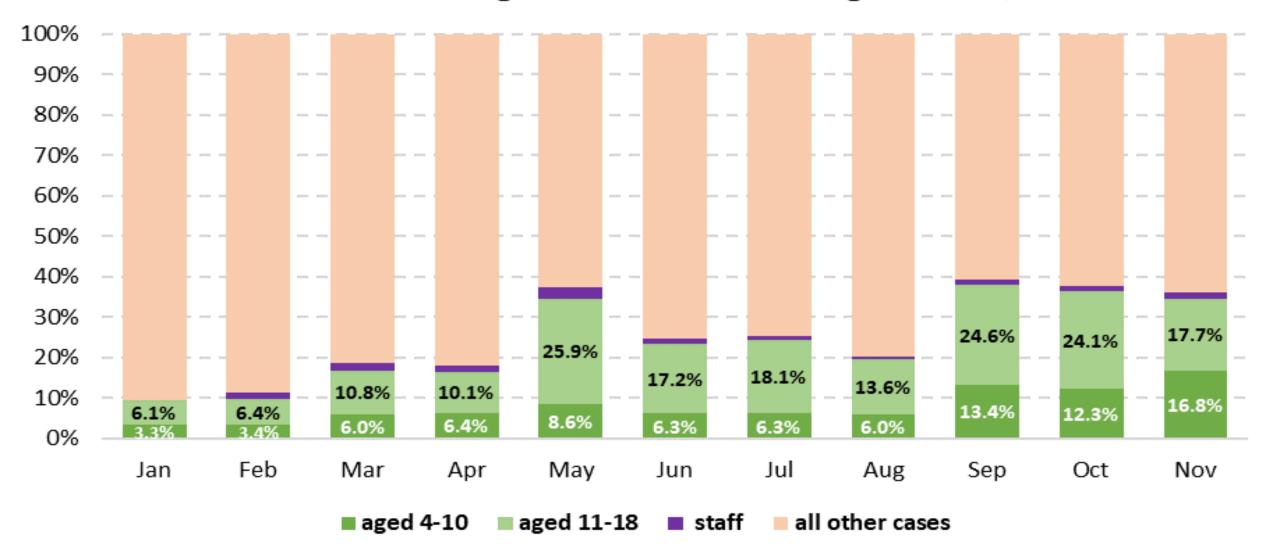
Cases in Hillingdon...

Cases in residents aged 4-19 as % of all cases, 2021

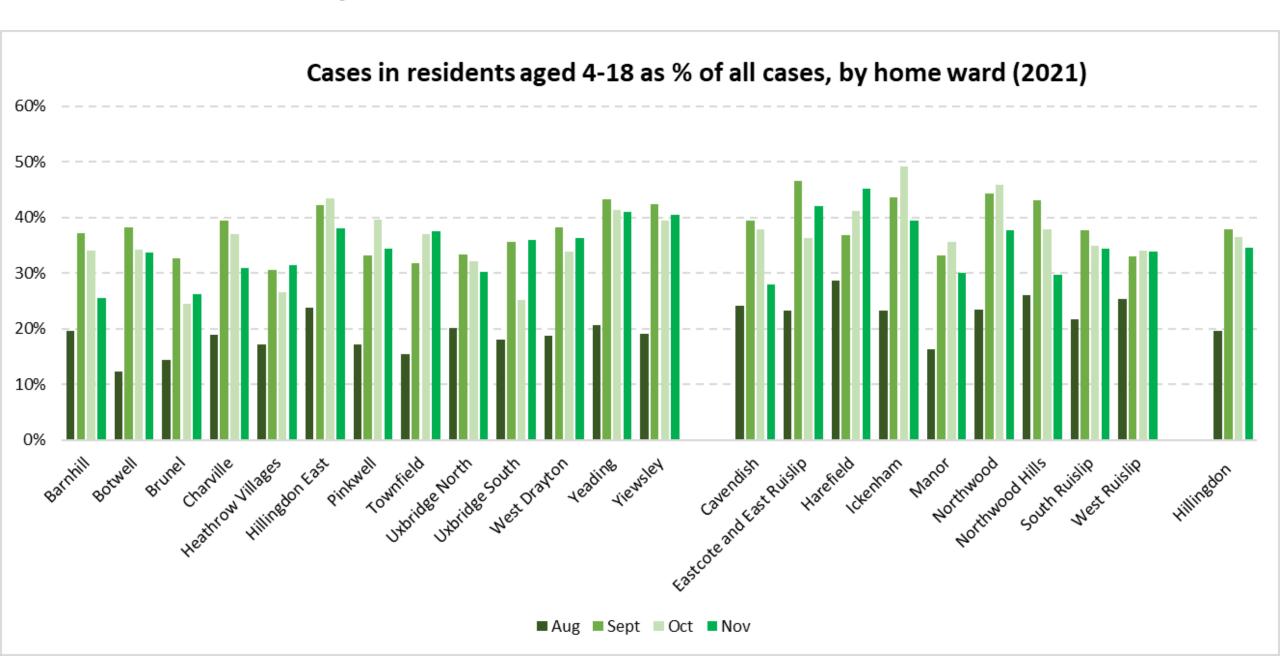


Cases in Hillingdon...

Percentage of cases - school age & staff, 2021



Cases in Hillingdon...



Vaccinations



Issues & Concerns?



DfE Threshold...

 5 children, pupils, students or staff, who are likely to have mixed closely, test positive for COVID-19 within a 10-day period;

Or

- 10% of children, pupils, students or staff who are likely to have mixed closely test positive for COVID-19 within a 10-day period
- For special schools, residential settings, and settings that operate with 20 or fewer children, pupils, students and staff at any one time:
 - > 2 children, pupils, students and staff, who are likely to have mixed closely, test positive for COVID-19 within a 10-day period

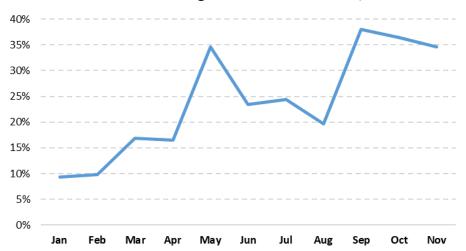
Thank You





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