

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2022

### Advice to Parents - Warn and Inform

Dear Parents,

There has been a confirmed case of Covid-19 in a pupil that your child is likely to have been in close contact with for a long period of time.

While we have not been alerted by the UK Health Security Agency we want to alert you to ensure we continue to keep each other safe.

There are new guidelines, and **you no longer need to book a PCR test.**

We would be grateful if you could **test your child using a Lateral Flow Test (LFT) before school, every morning, for the next 7 days.** This advice applies to children aged 5 and over.

You can get LFT tests free of charge from:

- pharmacies. You will need a code which you can get from this website <https://test-for-coronavirus.service.gov.uk/collect-lateral-flow-kits>
- Telephone 119 to order
- You can also order by post but these will take a few days <https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests>

**Your child can continue to attend to school** if they test negative on the Lateral Flow Test.

If they test positive, then please book a PCR test and do not send them to school. Your child will need to isolate until the results of the PCR are back.

In addition to daily LFT testing for close contacts, we encourage household members that are aged 11 and over to continue with twice weekly LFD testing to help identify cases promptly.

If at any time your child develops COVID-19 symptoms, even with a negative LFT, please isolate them and book a PCR test. They can return to school if the test is negative and in ten days if positive.

Thank you for continuing to support us in keeping our children and community safe.

Kind regards

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