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Covid Update:

Dear Parent/Carer

As you will probably already be aware, all remaining legal requirements in relation to COVID-19 in England have now been removed and replaced by guidance and an emphasis on taking personal responsibility. As a result, the vast majority of the restrictions previously put in place in schools are no longer necessary.

The key messages from the government for schools are:

- The 'Test and Trace' service and guidance has now been replaced by [UKHSA guidance](#). There is no longer a legal requirement for people with coronavirus (COVID-19) infection to self-isolate, however if you have any of the main symptoms of COVID-19 or a positive test result, the public health advice is to stay at home and avoid contact with other people.
- Contacts are no longer required to self-isolate or advised to take daily tests, and contact tracing has ended.
- Face coverings are no longer advised for pupils, staff and visitors in classrooms, communal areas or on transport.
- Students are no longer required to take twice weekly lateral flow testing.
- Student should continue to follow good hygiene practices when in school.

If your child has symptoms of Covid-19:

- Children with symptoms of Covid-19 (persistent cough, high temperature or loss/change to sense of smell/taste) should take a PCR test and are advised to stay at home and avoid contact with other people while waiting for the test result.
- Please inform the school as soon as possible.

If your child tests positive for Covid-19:

- Children and young people with COVID-19 should not attend their education setting while they are infectious. They should take an LFD test from 5 days after their symptoms started (or the day their test was taken if they did not have symptoms) followed by another one the next day. If both these test results are negative, they should return to their school, as long as they feel well enough to do so and do not have a temperature.

You can find further information published by the Department for Education about what parents and carers need to know by [clicking here](#).

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,



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