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Dear parents / carers,

Covid guidance update

As you are aware, there have been recent changes announced by the Government in relation to Covid and I am writing to clarify our position.

Regular testing

Guidance for special schools is that regular testing should continue on a weekly basis as before. For those who have been using lateral flow tests, we would ask that you continue to test at least once per week or if any Covid symptoms are suspected. We have test kits available for students who need more, so please ask.

Self-isolation rules

Although the law has changed, the guidance remains that anyone testing positive for Covid or having symptoms should avoid contact with others wherever possible. Therefore, we are asking for anyone in this situation to follow the same self-isolation guidance as before i.e. to isolate for at least 5 days, returning to school after 2 consecutive negative lateral flow tests (days 5 & 6) or after 10 days if not testing. In this situation we will be able to provide remote learning if the student is well enough to receive this.

Home tuition

For those students receiving tuition in the home, we require families to inform us if Covid is confirmed or suspected in the household. In this situation we will be able to provide remote learning if the student is well enough to receive this until the isolation period has elapsed and there are no further Covid cases in the household.

Other control measures

Please be reassured that we remain vigilant and continue to ensure our safety measures reduce any risks as much as possible. We continue to encourage regular hand-washing and sanitiser is provided throughout the school. Although face coverings are not required, staff and students are free to wear them if they wish. All rooms are well ventilated, and the nature of the school means that there is plenty of room to ensure good physical distancing.

Thank you for your ongoing support at this time. I know that the changing guidance may be confusing at times so please contact us if you need any advice or clarification.

Kind regards

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