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Dear School Community,

Covid Guidance

I feel I need to update you about changes which once again are changing rapidly from the DfE at a national level and support everyone in keeping abreast with the expectations. From today a number of changes are now guiding decisions made at a school level and I thank you all for your support with these.

Main points

If you have COVID-19 [symptoms](#) you should stay at home and self-isolate immediately. You should [arrange to have a PCR test](#) as soon as possible. If this PCR test result is positive, you must continue to self-isolate.

If you do not have COVID-19 symptoms, but you have a positive PCR test result, you must stay at home and self-isolate.

If you live in the same household as someone with COVID-19, you must stay at home and self-isolate if you are not fully vaccinated or if they have been identified as a suspected or confirmed case of the Omicron variant of COVID-19.

If you live in the same household as someone with COVID-19 that has not been identified as a suspected or confirmed case of the Omicron variant, and you are fully vaccinated or aged under 18 years and 6 months, you are not required to self-isolate.

You may be entitled to a one-off payment of £500 through the [NHS Test and Trace Support Payment scheme](#) if you are required to stay at home and self-isolate or you are the parent or guardian of a child who has been told to self-isolate.

What does this mean for me?

This means that now if your child has a positive LFT (Lateral Flow Test) or shows any Covid symptoms we ask that you book a PCR test for [them and their siblings](#). Whilst you are waiting for the results of the PCR your children will be off school, until the result is confirmed.

Do everything in love; we do our best in all we do and all we say with God's help

What work will my children do?

If your child is at home, please remember to access home learning resources on the [year group Google Sites](#). You will need your child's username and password to sign in successfully. The sites will not allow access if any other account is being used, so please logout in the top right hand corner and login with your child's details. If you have forgotten your username, please email the [office](#) and they will try to send you details as soon as possible. Teachers will not be able to check work while your child is at home, so please don't try to upload work on Google Classroom. It has not been enabled to receive work and will ask for an unnecessary code. Due to Covid, teachers will not be able to receive the work when everyone is back in school but will have discussions about what has been achieved.

I hope this helps to keep you informed. We will of course continue to keep your children safe with regular hygiene routines, classroom fogging and staff wearing masks. Please can I ask that adults refrain discussing Covid too openly when children are in the vicinity as a number of children are becoming unduly anxious and in school we are trying to run as normally as possible for the children.

Once again I thank you all for your continued support.

Many thanks,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sue Harrison'.

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