

Monday 28th February 2022

Dear Families,

COVID UPDATE FEBRUARY 2022

As you will be aware, the Prime Minister announced the 'Living with Covid' strategy last week and 'all' restrictions have been removed as of Thursday 24th February.

The guidance for isolating, should you or your child test positive for Covid, remains similar to what it was before, however, it is now just guidance and no longer a legal requirement.

While we are really pleased, on the one hand, to see restrictions lifted, we are also committed to working together to keep everyone safe. Therefore, we ask that you support us by following this guidance:

- If your child is unwell, or you suspect they have Covid, you are advised to take a PCR test or a lateral flow test to confirm.
- If the test is positive, then the advice is to isolate for at least 5 days or until your child tests negative on day 5/6.
- It is now thought that a person is no longer infectious after 5 days and so it would be safe to return to school, however, please do not send your child in to school unless you feel they are well enough to attend.

In school, we will continue to implement control measures such as encouraging the children to wash their hands regularly, to use the hand sanitiser and to ensure that our rooms are well ventilated. We will no longer observe social distancing or contact trace. However, it would be really helpful for you to inform us if your child is positive for Covid or if you suspect this to be the case, as we will continue to inform our families and staff who are particularly vulnerable.

Many thanks, as always, for your continued support and let's hope that this is the last Covid update I have to send out!

Yours sincerely,

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