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Dear Parent/Carer

28<sup>th</sup> February 2022

**Re: Covid Update**

Following the government's announcement regarding the lifting of legal restrictions to manage Covid, I am writing to update you on the current position regarding school as we move towards 'living with Covid'.

Whilst the guidance confirms that there is no longer a legal requirement to self-isolate, the public health advice remains that if your child has symptoms of Covid (a new continuous cough, high temperature or changes to sense of taste or smell) or a positive test they **must stay at home and should not attend school**. If they do have these symptoms you should order a PCR test and your child should stay at home whilst waiting for the result. 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 tests results are negative, they should return to school as long as they feel well enough to do so and do not have a temperature.

Our school's Covid Risk Assessment is currently being reviewed and updated in light of the changes to legal requirements and this will be shared with you via our website as soon as it is complete and all guidance and advice has been sought. The updated Risk Assessment will detail any changes to our current arrangements such as the wearing of face coverings, staggered start times and collection times etc. Please wait until our updated Risk Assessment has been approved and shared as this will hopefully answer any questions or concerns you might have.

I hope to be able to share more detailed information with you over the coming few days.

Yours sincerely

Mrs D Cross  
Head Teacher

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