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Dear Parents and Carers

This has been a very difficult week for everyone in our community and we would like to thank all parents and children who have supported our school to remain open. Government 'strongly advise' contacts to take daily Lateral Flow Tests and we thank parents who have supported this - can we remind you that if staff test positive and supply staff cannot be booked (which is proving difficult at the moment) then school will close and learning will return to Google Classroom.

Every time there is a new positive covid case reported to school, we will let you know via email if your child has been in close contact with them. The government strongly advise that your child has lateral flow tests for 7 days from the date you receive your email from school.

Please remember to keep in contact with school if your child has tested positive. Please see new guidance below from the government regarding isolation.

Changes to the self-isolation period for those who test positive for COVID-19

From Monday 17 January, people who are self-isolating with COVID-19 will have the option to reduce their isolation period after 5 full days if they test negative with a lateral flow device (LFD) test on both day 5 and day 6 and they do not have a temperature. For example, if they test negative on the morning of day 5 and the morning of day 6, they can return to their education or childcare setting immediately on day 6.

The first test must be taken no earlier than day 5 of the self-isolation period, and the second must be taken the following day. All test results should be [reported to NHS Test and Trace](#).

If the result of either of their tests is positive, they should continue to self-isolate until they get negative results from two LFD tests on consecutive days or until they have completed 10 full days of self-isolation, whichever is earliest.

Anyone who is unable to take LFD tests or anyone who continues to have a temperature will need to complete the full 10 day period of self-isolation.

School is here to help and advise you.

Many Thanks

