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Dear Parents and Carers,

We appreciate the changes to COVID guidance for schools for this new school term can be confusing to navigate for families. To clarify, here is the key COVID information for primary pupils:

If any pupil tests positive on a Lateral Flow Device Test, regardless of if they have symptoms, they should not come to school and should self-isolate in line with the stay-at-home guidance and get a PCR test. If the PCR test is taken within 2 days of the positive Lateral Flow Device Test and is negative it overrides the LFD and they may return to school as long as they don't have any symptoms of COVID-19.

The most important symptoms of COVID-19 are the onset of any of the following:

- **A new continuous cough**
- **A high temperature**
- **A loss of, or change in, your normal sense of taste or smell.**

If your child has any of these symptoms, they must not attend school and should have a PCR test and follow the NHS guidance.

Individuals are not required to self-isolate if they live in the same household as someone with COVID-19, OR ARE A CLOSE CONTACT OF SOMEONE WITH COVID-19 if any of the following apply:

- **They are fully vaccinated**
- **They are below the age of 18 years and 6 months**

Unless they have any symptoms or have a positive Lateral Flow Device Test as above.

If you are getting your child PCR tested along with other family members, your child's absence will be authorised if you keep them at home whilst you await the results and schoolwork can be sent if they are well enough.

Thank you for your support.

Lauren Watson

Headteacher

