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Dear parents and carers,

I am writing to update you on the situation in school currently regarding covid. Despite our very best efforts, it seems the recent relaxing of restrictions in England has led to our current position. We are doing all that we can to prevent the spread that in some cases happens within school, and sometimes due to outside contact or covid within a household and there no longer being a requirement for children to isolate unless they develop symptoms or test positive themselves.

Along with many other schools we are finding it a very frustrating situation and we apologise to families that may have had repeated telephone calls regarding contact. When cases arise, we will continue to inform close contacts and request a PCR test and regular home testing with lateral flow tests. We will also continue to send app alerts/ messages to the wider class members so that parents are fully informed and can be extra vigilant at home.

Please DO NOT send children into school if they are ill. It is great that so many of our families are making good use of lateral flow tests that can be done at home – these are for **asymptomatic cases** and are ideal for reassurance when children present with no symptoms, however if they have symptoms they must take the PCR test.

As mentioned in my previous letter we are now implementing our 'Recovery and Outbreak Management' plan and will now be taking further steps following advice from public health. We will continue to keep you updated. For your information there have been two further covid cases reported this morning; a pupil in year 6 and a pupil in ARP2. Close contacts have been informed.

After School Clubs

Unfortunately, after school activity clubs are unable to go ahead at this time; if we are in a better position after the October half term break we will start them then. (This is due to our need to reduce unnecessary mixing including the adults). All requests for places will be saved carefully and allocated accordingly.

Thank you for your continued support.

With very best wishes,

Mrs L O'Brien
Head of School



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