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Dear Parents,

Are you are aware, guidance around actions to take in the event of a positive Covid case are now changing and it appears we are now entering an interim period, with some changes announced that will take effect from today onwards and other changes due to come into effect from 1st April. I will send a further letter at that point once information becomes available.

The advice (from today onwards) states:

From 24 February, the Government will remove the legal requirement to self-isolate following a positive test. In addition, the Government will no longer ask fully vaccinated close contacts and those aged under 18 to test daily for 7 days and routine contact tracing will end.

Adults and children who test positive will continue to be advised to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for at least 5 full days and until they have received 2 negative test results on consecutive days. *If a child has any of the main symptoms or a positive test result, the public health advice remains unchanged and is to stay at home and avoid contact with other people.*

Staff, children and young people who are contacts should attend their education settings as usual. This includes staff who have been in close contact within their household, unless they are able to work from home.

Anyone with any of the main COVID-19 symptoms should order a test and is advised to stay at home while waiting for the result.

As with any other illness, pupils who are at home ill with Covid should rest and should not be doing school work. If your child is isolating with Covid but is either asymptomatic or has recovered sufficiently, then their class teacher will set work for them on Google Classroom beginning the next day after you inform the school that they are well enough to do so.

Kind regards,

Noel Campbell

Head teacher