



Friday 4th March 2022
Dear Parent/Carer,

Testing and Isolation

The UK Health Security Agency has published new guidance on [people with Covid-19 and their contacts](#). This is general guidance for the public but is referred to in the updated guidance for schools. It covers the following areas:

- Know the symptoms of Covid-19
- What to do if you have Covid-19
- What to do if you are a close contact of someone who has Covid-19
- Wellbeing and practical support while you are staying at home

Accordingly, the UKHSA guidance reflects the Prime Minister's announcement that there is no longer a legal requirement for people with Covid-19 to isolate. However, the main [schools](#) guidance and the UKHSA guidance are clear that positive individuals are still advised to isolate.

In line with the main schools guidance, the UKHSA guidance makes the following points about schools and children:

*“Children and young people with COVID-19 should **not** attend their education setting while they are infectious. 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 their educational setting if they normally attend one, as long as they feel well enough to do so and do not have a temperature. They should follow the guidance for their educational setting.”*

After considering all the guidance we will continue to ask children who have tested positive to remain safely at home until they have completed the isolation period as stated above.

LFD tests are available to order online at [Order coronavirus \(COVID-19\) rapid lateral flow tests - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)

As with previous guidance *“Children and young people who usually attend an education or childcare setting and who live with someone who has COVID-19 should continue to attend the setting as normal.”*

Thank you for your continued support as we navigate through the new expectations for the year ahead.

Yours sincerely

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