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Dear Parents

Now that we are all adjusting to being back in school and things are starting to settle down a little we are making some changes to our COVID-19 attendance guidance and we have updated our "COVID – What to do if my child is unwell" diagram, please see attached. We rely on the continued support of parents and carers to help to keep our school and community safe particularly with regard to the new variant.

COVID Testing

There are different tests you can get to check if you or your child have coronavirus (COVID-19). The test you need depends on why you're getting tested.

1. **PCR Tests** – for people with symptoms, they're sent to a lab to be checked
2. **Lateral Flow Tests (LFT)** – only for people who do not have symptoms, they give a result in 30-minutes using a device similar to a pregnancy test.

Both tests are free.

Regular testing if you do not have symptoms

We ask that all parents and children do a rapid lateral flow test twice a week (every 3 to 4 days) to check if you have the virus. If you or your child test positive please inform the school immediately so that we can advise you on your next action to stop the virus from spreading. Use this link to find out how to [get regular rapid COVID-19 tests if you do not have symptoms](#)

If your child (or anyone in your household) has symptoms of COVID-19

- **Keep your child and any siblings off school and isolate the whole household at home.**
- Only leave your home to have a test.
- Notify the school of the situation as soon as possible.
- Get a PCR test as soon as possible if you have any of these symptoms:
 - ✓ a high temperature
 - ✓ a new, continuous cough
 - ✓ a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste

Anyone in your childcare or support bubble should also stay at home if you have been in close contact with them since your symptoms started or during the 48 hours before they started. Use this link to find out how to [get a PCR test to check if you have COVID-19 on GOV.UK](#)

Further information

For further information and useful links visit [NHS get-tested-for-coronavirus](#)
If you have any questions please contact the school.



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