

24th February 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

Covid-19 Update

On Monday 21st February, schools were made aware of changes to the legal restrictions in England related to Covid.

These are the changes that affect schools:

1. Twice weekly testing for staff will end with immediate effect.
2. From Thursday 24th February:
 - Self-isolation for people who test positive for Covid will end but they will still be advised to stay at home and avoid contact with others for at least five full days.
 - Routine contact tracing will end.
3. From Friday 1st April –
 - Free testing will end.
 - People with Covid symptoms will be asked to exercise personal responsibility when deciding whether to stay at home.

These announcements have implications for everyone. In removing restrictions the Government has placed great emphasis on personal responsibility so when deciding whether your child should attend school, please use the same judgement as you would for any infectious condition. However, as we have always done, if your child is obviously unwell whilst in school, we will contact you to collect them.

In line with the Government's document "Living with Covid-19", we will:

- ensure the schools remain well ventilated
- ask those clearly unwell to stay at home.
- encourage good hygiene practices in school from all children and staff.

Thank you in advance for your continued support in this matter.

Yours sincerely,



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