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Dear Parents/Carers,

Living with COVID-19 plan

This week the Prime Minister has set out the next phase of the government's COVID-19 response '[Living with COVID-19](#)' and some previous guidelines relating to the management of COVID have been changed or removed.

But, to further safeguard ourselves and to continue to reduce the ongoing risk and spread of COVID within the Academy we are asking that all children and staff who test positive, continue to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for at least 5 full days, and then continue to remain at home for a maximum of 10 days or until they have received 2 negative test results on consecutive days from day 5.

However, we are no longer asking that fully vaccinated close contacts and those aged under 18 to test daily for 7 days, or for close contacts who are not fully vaccinated to self-isolate.

In addition, we would like to suggest that students and staff continue to undertake twice-weekly asymptomatic testing if test kits are available.

We will be reviewing the above decisions at the end of this term and will inform you of any changes but ask that the above protocols are followed.

Yours sincerely,

Wendy Walters
Principal