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Re: Covid update

Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to share with you our latest Covid-19 guidance control measures as we progress towards living with the virus.

As you will be aware, the guidance was amended recently, along with some legal requirements. We are going to continue with some control measures moving forward, following LA and Trust advice. If there is a requirement, following an outbreak we will respond to this with the support of public health bodies, which will probably mean some additional control measures are put back in to stop the spread. However, this is what we are planning to do from Monday 14th March:

- We will continue with hand hygiene measures.
- Ventilation will continue to be used and some classrooms now also have air purifiers, following careful monitoring of CO2 readings. Some classes are better ventilated already.
- We will inform you if your child has been in close contact of a confirmed positive case. In this instance we would encourage you to remain vigilant for any symptoms, and if you are able to undertake daily LFTs that would be helpful. Pupils who are a close contact or living with someone with Covid-19 should attend school. These test kits will be available online or from pharmacies until April 1st. We also have a small stock at school that we can share with families too if you cannot get hold of any kits.
- Face coverings will no longer be required in communal areas of the school including the playground. However, for the remaining part of the spring term, we would encourage parents or visitors to wear a covering inside the building until they get to the meeting space in school, and with the help of ventilation and social distancing discussions can take place without wearing a covering. Some members of staff may still be seen wearing a face covering and this will be because of their own personal circumstances. Equally, parents and carers may also choose to wear face coverings on the playground too, due to their own circumstances. For example, there may be a positive case in your household or you have some underlying health conditions.
- Pupils must not attend school if they are displaying one of the three main symptoms: high temperature, a new continuous cough or loss of taste or smell.
- The guidance for those with symptoms or a positive test result is generally as before, but the legal requirement to self-isolate has been removed. However, the UK Health Security Agency guidance is clear that children with Covid-19 should not attend their education setting while they are infectious. LFT should be taken from day 5, and as before, return to school following two negative tests.
- We will continue to provide remote learning for pupils who have covid-19 and are well enough to do it.
- We had our first whole school assembly together in the hall last Friday. We will continue to do this, but will consider if there is an outbreak in a class, putting some mitigation measures back in.

We hope you will continue to support and respect our amended measures as we learn how to live with this virus. The government are planning to bring in further new guidance from April 1st and once again, we will respond to any new guidance.

Many thanks for your ongoing support

Mr Askew