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Dear Parent

Thank you for all your support over these challenging times. The students have been brilliant back in school.

We will write to you soon about our plans for any partial lockdown that happens and remote learning.

Today I want to remind you of the 'what ifs' around symptoms and what to do in a case of COVID19.

We know there are issues with getting tests at the moment. Please see the table below and in particular the symptoms that we are asked to look for.

What to do if	Action needed	Back to school
.....My Child has COVID 19 Symptoms	Child shouldn't attend school Child should get a test Whole household isolates while waiting for a test result Inform school about test result	...when a child's test comes back negative and symptom free for 48 hrs
....My child tests positive for COVID 19	Child shouldn't attend school Child self isolates for at least 10 days from when symptoms started (or from day of test if no symptoms) Inform school immediately of test results Whole household isolatesafter 10 days even if they have a cough or loss of taste as these symptoms can last after the infection has goneafter 10 days when they feel better / without a fever for 48 hrs
....Somebody in my household has COVID 19 symptoms	Child shouldn't attend school Household member with symptoms gets a test Whole household isolates while waiting for test Inform school of resultswhen household member test is negative and child has no symptoms.
....Somebody in my household has tested positive for COVID19	Child shouldn't attend school Whole household isolates for 14 days from when symptoms started or test	...when child has completed 14 days of self-isolation, even if they test negative during the 14 days
....NHS test and trace has identified my child	Child shouldn't attend school Child self isolates for 14 days as advised by track and trace even if they test negative during this time Rest of household does not need to isolate	...when child has completed 14 days of self-isolation



Remember that only people with symptoms need to get a test. Symptoms include at least one of:


- High temperature
- A new and continuous cough
- A loss or change to your sense of taste and smell

Can I please remind you to make sure your child has a mask for those times they are inside and out of their bubbles.

Also as you know the new 'rule of six' was launched this week. Please tell your children to go straight home where possible and not to meet up in groups after school.

Finally, we are reviewing our current systems for safety and in delivering the best learning for our students and will write to you with any updates.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jon Francies', written in a cursive style.

Jon Francies
Principal