

28 February 2022

Dear Parents/carers

**Re: New COVID-19 Guidance**

As you may be aware, the restrictions for COVID-19 changed over half term. Due to the update on 24<sup>th</sup> February 2022 we are writing to let you know that we will be following the government guidance as set out in the link attached; [Schools COVID-19 operational guidance - 24 February 2022](#)

If your child test's positive for COVID-19, they are advised to stay at home and isolate however, there is no legal requirement to do so.

**The guidance states**

"Welcoming children back to school in most cases, parents and carers will agree that a pupil with the key symptoms of COVID-19 should not attend the school, given the potential risk to others. If a parent or carer insists on a pupil attending your school where they have a confirmed or suspected case of COVID-19, you can take the decision to refuse the pupil if, in your reasonable judgement, it is necessary to protect other pupils and staff from possible infection with COVID-19."

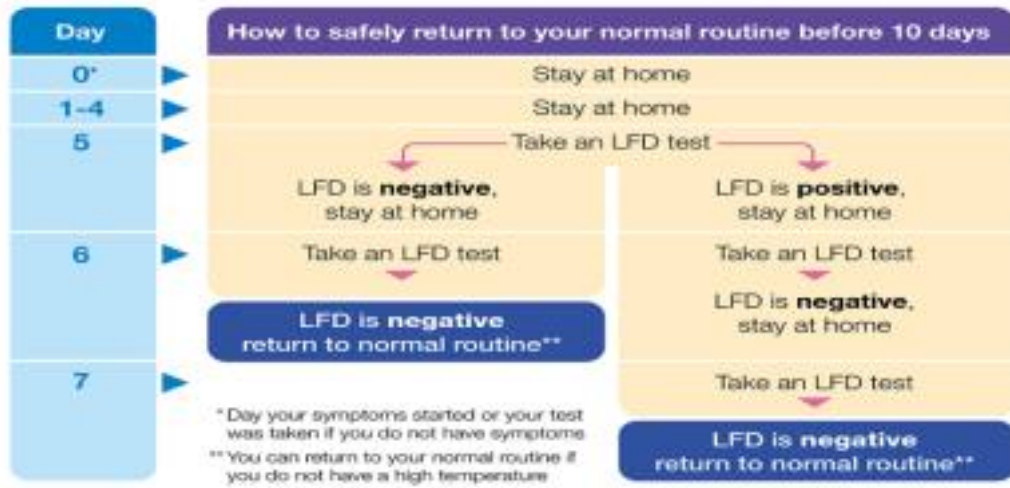
The main symptoms of COVID-19 are a recent onset of any of the following:

- a new continuous cough
- a high temperature
- a loss of, or change in, your normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

If your child is displaying any of these symptoms you should obtain a PCR test. You are advised to stay at home and avoid contact with other people while you are waiting for the test result.

Thank you for your anticipated support.

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Yours faithfully

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