



**5<sup>th</sup> January 2022**

Dear Parents,

**Re: COVID-19 Advice to All Parents - Warn and Inform**

Firstly, we would like to thank parents for completing the online consent forms. We have managed to test almost every student today using the lateral flow tests. One student in year 7 and one student in year 10 has tested positive today for the virus and they have been sent home.

We will attempt to test all students (if parents have given consent) in year 7 and year 10 each weekday until next Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> January and we ask parents of students in year 7 and 10 to test their children over this coming weekend.

The school remains open and your child should continue to attend as normal if they remain well. We encourage household members that are aged 11 and over to continue with twice weekly LFD testing to help identify cases promptly. **We strongly encourage every student to be tested.**

If your child is in year 7 and 10 but has not been contacted directly by NHS Test and Trace then they should take a PCR test via [Get a free PCR test to check if you have coronavirus \(COVID-19\) - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/get-a-free-pcr-test-to-check-if-you-have-coronavirus) or by calling 119.

**What to do if your child develops symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) or tests positive for COVID-19**

The 10-day self-isolation period for people who record a positive PCR test result for COVID-19 has been reduced to 7 days in most circumstances, unless you cannot test for any reason. Individuals may now take LFD tests on day 6 and day 7 of their self-isolation period. Those who receive two negative test results are no longer required to complete 10 full days of self-isolation.

Anyone who is unable to take LFD tests will need to complete the full 10 day period of self-isolation.

Please do not hesitate to get in touch with me if you have any queries or concerns relating to this matter.

Yours faithfully,

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