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Dear parents/carers,

As many of you will be aware, the <u>next steps for living with COVID-19</u> in England have been updated from Friday 1 April 2022. I thought it best to write to you to update you on how this affects any changes at school.

The new guidance can be found at: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/guidance/people-with-symptoms-of-a-respiratory-infection-including-covid-">https://www.gov.uk/guidance/people-with-symptoms-of-a-respiratory-infection-including-covid-</a>

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Key points in the guidance include:

- A revised list of symptoms to be aware of.
- Adults with a positive COVID-19 test result should stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 5 days, which is when they are most infectious.
- For **children** and young people aged 18 and under with a **positive COVID-19 test** result, they should stay at home for **3 days**.
- Children who live with someone who has a positive COVID-19 test result should continue to attend as normal, subject to the further guidance below.
- Children with mild symptoms (not a positive Covid test) such as a runny nose, sore throat, or
  mild cough, who are otherwise well, can continue to attend school. Children and young
  people who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact
  with other people, where they can. They can go back to school, and resume normal activities
  when they no longer have a high temperature and they are well enough to attend.

In school, we will be continuing to follow the guidance set out on Friday which includes:

- Good respiratory (catch coughs and sneezes in tissues and dispose of as soon as possible) and hand hygiene (washing hands including after using the toilet and before eating)
- Environmental cleaning
- Ventilation and use of outdoor spaces
- Encouraging vaccination of those eligible this now includes all children from the age of 5. You can book your child in to have their vaccine now at: <a href="https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/coronavirus-vaccination/coronavirus-covid-19-vaccination-for-children/coronavirus-covid-19-vaccine-for-children-aged-5-to-15/">https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19-vaccination-for-children/coronavirus-covid-19-vaccine-for-children-aged-5-to-15/</a>

Yours sincerely,

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