

## 16<sup>th</sup> March 2022

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## Dear Parent/Carer

I am writing to inform you that we believe Covid cases may be on the rise again in the academy. While the increase in number does not require us to impose new restrictions at the academy, it does naturally cause us concern as we know that it has not been a requirement to routinely test secondary students recently. If your child is unwell, please do Lateral Flow test them.

If your son/daughter does test positive for Covid, we kindly request that you do not send them to school, and follow the government guidelines which were updated on Monday 7 March 2022:

'Children and young people with COVID-19 should not attend their education setting while they are infectious. They should take an LFD test from 5 days after their symptoms started (or the day their test was taken if they did not have symptoms) followed by another one the next day. If both these test results are negative, they should return to their educational setting if they normally attend one, as long as they feel well enough to do so and do not have a temperature.'

Further information can be found by following this <u>link</u>.

With so much going on in the news over the past few weeks, the developing issues related to Covid-19 have almost gone unnoticed. However, the potential surge in cases reminds us that we are very much living with the virus and need to act diligently to ensure that we protect our community.

Kind regards

Yours sincerely

Louise Cowley Headteacher



