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Dear Parent/Carer

As we return to school for the New Year I wanted to update you with some information around the latest guidance regarding Covid safety measures.

Face coverings are very much encouraged to be worn on the playgrounds due to the close proximity of a high number of people. They are once again a requirement for inside the building for any visitors.

The government recommends that face coverings are worn in enclosed and crowded spaces where you may come into contact with people you don't normally meet.

Please be mindful of this when entering the school building, especially at busy times.

Children or adults must not enter the school site if they have any of the following symptoms:

- High temperature (above 37.8°C)
- New and persistent cough
- Loss of taste or smell

School needs to be informed of any child with symptoms and the child will be asked to get a test or isolate for 10 days before returning to school.

We strongly encourage regular lateral flow testing but do understand these can be quite difficult to get hold of at the moment. The most recent guidance states that a positive lateral Flow test does not need to be followed up by a PCR test but isolation still needs to take place for 10 days. If, from days 6 and 7, there are two negative lateral flow tests on consecutive days then the isolation period can end.

Should there be an outbreak we will need to revisit and re-evaluate these measures in order to keep everyone safe.

I look forward to a fruitful 2022 for us all.

Mrs Leigh

