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RE: Reporting positive cases - via Parentmail only

Dear parents

If your child tests positive please advise the school as soon as possible **via parentmail**. Work will be provided for the children who have tested positive by the class teacher via Google Classroom (KS1/KS2) / Tapestry (EYFS) by the next school day at the latest.

As you may be aware from 17 January, the 10 day self-isolation period for people who record a positive result for COVID-19 has been reduced to 5 days, following two negative LFD tests, taken 24 hours apart. Therefore if your child tests positive for COVID-19, they may now take LFD tests on day 5 and day 6 of their self-isolation period. If they receive two negative test results and do not have a high temperature your child can come back to school from **day 6.** Anyone who is unable to take LFD tests will need to complete the full 10 day period of self-isolation.

As from Tuesday 11 January if your child tests positive on a LFD test there is no requirement to obtain a confirmatory PCR test. Your child must however report the positive result on the Government website and advise the school. They must then isolate at home as detailed above.

I would also like to take this opportunity to remind you that your **child should not come to school if they have developed COVID-19 symptoms or have had a positive test result.** If your child develops COVID-19 symptoms (high temperature; a new continuous cough; or a loss or change in sense of taste or smell) however mild, they will be sent home and you should follow public health advice.

With my very best wishes

Tijen Hassan

Headteacher