10th January 2022

**For Parents of Children in St XXXXX’s Class**

**Close contact of a positive COVID case - Daily Lateral Flow**

Dear Parents / Carers,

**Re: Request to daily lateral flow - Likely contact with Positive Case**

It is likely that your child has been a close contact of a positive COVID case. Guidance has been issued by the government which now recommends **daily Lateral Flow Device (LFD) testing for 7 days** for all close contacts who are fully vaccinated or aged 5-18 years and 6 months. Therefore, in partnership with Wolverhampton Health Protection Team, we are recommending that your child takes daily LFD tests **until XXXXXX 2022.** (This is 7 days since the last point of contact).

**Guidance requests:**

* + Take an LFD each day for 7 days and report the results through the [Online Reporting System](https://www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result?utm_source=13%20December%202021%20C19&utm_medium=Daily%20Email%20C19&utm_campaign=DfE%20C19) and **any positive results to your school.**
  + If your **child tests negative, they can continue to attend school.**
  + If they test positive, they should self-isolate and follow [Stay at home: guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus (COVID-19) infection](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection) .
  + Should your child get any symptoms, you should keep your child at home and order a PCR test to confirm whether your child is positive or not. If the PCR is positive, they must self-isolate for 10 days and household members should have a daily LFD test for 7 days. If the PCR test is negative, they no longer need to self-isolate but should continue to carry out the remainder of the daily tests, and only need to isolate if it is positive.

You can order LFD test kits online at <https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests>. There is the option for home delivery, or you can receive a code to present at your local pharmacy / distribution point.

Should your child test positive, please read the following guidance:

[Stay at home: guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus (COVID-19) infection](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection)

**As a precautionary measure, it is recommended locally that any pupil unwell enough not to attend school for any illness / symptom also take a LFD test at home.**

Thank you for your ongoing support. Our prayers and best wishes go out to any members of our community who are suffering as a result of Covid at this time.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs T Davis

Principal