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Dear Parents and Carers,

NHS Test and Trace: COVID-19 testing for Staff in Primary and First Schools

You may have heard that testing for those without coronavirus symptoms is beginning across the country using new, quicker COVID-19 tests known as 'lateral flow devices'. This letter is to help give you more information about the testing programme in our school.

Up to one third of people who have coronavirus are asymptomatic. By testing we will help to reduce the spread in school through asymptomatic transmission.

Plan for testing

We will be offering all staff twice weekly testing at home each morning starting from the week commencing 25th January 2021.

What if my child's teacher or other staff member tests positive?

If a teacher or other staff member tests positive on a lateral flow device, they will inform the school immediately, arrange to take a PCR test and they will need to start 10 days of self-isolation as per government [Stay at Home](#) guidelines.

What if staff or pupils have been in close contact with the individual who tests positive?

All individuals will be notified by the school that they are a close contact. This is likely to be before school or as school starts and so may impact on your morning if you are required to collect your child from school. All contacts of a confirmed case must follow the national guidance, stay at home and self-isolate for 10 days. This is because it can take several days following contact with an infected person before an individual develops symptoms or the virus can be detected. Close contacts can return to school on day 11 if they are well and have no symptoms.

Other members of your household will be able to continue normal activities provided your child does not develop symptoms within the 10-day self-isolation period.

Please see the link to the National Guidance:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-for-contacts-of-people-with-possible-or-confirmed-coronavirus-covid-19-infection-who-do-not-live-with-the-person/guidance-for-contacts-of-people-with-possible-or-confirmed-coronavirus-covid-19->

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Reminder of Covid 19 symptoms.

These are the three main symptoms of coronavirus. If you get just one of them, you should get a test.

- New and continuous cough - coughing a lot for more than an hour, or having three or more coughing episodes in 24 hours.
- Fever - a temperature above 37.8C.
- Change in smell or taste - either you cannot taste or smell anything, or these senses are different to normal.

Take care and stay safe

Kind Regards,

Mr Brownsword

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