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Dear Parents/Carers

Ref: Home Testing

Thank you for participating in the Government's initiative of Home Testing in an effort to keep the community safe and reduce the risk of spreading Covid-19.

This testing programme is designed for people with **no symptoms**. If your child develops any **one or more** of the following symptoms **at any time** they must immediately self-isolate along with your household until you receive the test results giving you the all clear or if the result comes back positive remain in isolation as directed by NHS Track and Trace.

Symptoms of COVID 19

The most common symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are recent onset of:

- new continuous cough and/or
- high temperature and/or
- a loss of, or change in, normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

If your child develops symptoms of COVID-19, **you should organise for your child to be tested** via the [NHS online portal](#) or by calling 119.

Your home testing kit, (the Lateral Flow Test Device) should not be used in this case. You must book a PCR test in line with Government/NHS Guidance.

Please continue to carry out your home testing if you are not presenting with any of the above symptoms, twice weekly, on Sundays and Wednesdays.

Thank you for your continued support

Kind regards
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