



**'Learning together through love, friendship, forgiveness and faith'**

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Once again, the government has updated guidance on self-isolation.

**From Monday 17<sup>th</sup> January**, people who are self-isolating with COVID-19 will have the option to reduce their isolation period after 5 full days, if they test negative with a lateral flow device (LFD) test on both day 5 and day 6 and they do not have a temperature. For example, if you test negative on the morning of day 5 and the morning of day 6, you can return to your education, or workplace setting immediately on day 6.

The first test must be taken no earlier than day 5 of the self-isolation period, and the second must be taken the following day. All test results should be reported to NHS Test and Trace.

If the result of either of your tests is positive, you should continue to self-isolate until you get a negative results from two LFD tests on consecutive days or until you have completed 10 full days of self-isolation, whichever is earliest.

Anyone who is unable to take LFD tests or anyone who continues to have a temperature will need to complete the full 10 day period of self-isolation.

[Self-isolation for those with COVID-19 can end after 5 full days following 2 negative LFD tests - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk)

We continue to receive phone calls with families testing positive. Numbers continue to rise. As a school, we continue to monitor what we have in place; to keep classes open, and the children and staff as safe as possible, so that teaching and learning can continue. **Please do keep us up to date with this information. It is very important we are aware of when you or your child/ren test positive.**

Please continue **wearing your masks** on site (unless exempt), to keep all staff and other adults on site safe during pick up. **Please be mindful of each other's personal space.**

With kind regards,

Mrs T Ball.

Interim Headteacher