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Dear Parents and Carers

Reference: Updated Government Coronavirus guidance for all Primary Schools

Worryingly the number of confirmed positive cases of coronavirus in children and unvaccinated adults is rising in the South-West of England. The daily case rate is currently 435.1 per 100,000 and Somerset has the second highest rate in 10–14-year-olds in the southwest behind Cornwall.

This afternoon the Government has issued new guidance that all parents of school aged children are expected to use to ensure that schools remain open.

This new guidance states that all children and staff should self-isolate and not come into school if:

1. **They have tested PCR positive (positive case)** – 10 days isolation
2. **They are LFD positive and have symptoms (presumptive positive even if PCR is negative)** – 10 days isolation
 - A PCR test should always be booked in order to confirm the LFD result. However, if there is a positive LFD test and the person has symptoms, or if they have repeated positive LFD tests, then the individual is presumed positive, even if this is contradicted by the PCR test result.
3. **They are a household contact (parent, sibling, spouse etc.) of someone who has tested PCR, LFD positive or presumptive positive until they have a negative PCR test result.**
 - The recommendation is that parents are extra vigilant in looking for any symptoms. If the individual begins to show symptoms or tests positive on an LFD then they should self-isolate and take a PCR test.

This guidance is in place until further notice and we will of course keep you informed of any changes as soon as they happen.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Yours sincerely.

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