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Dear Parents and Carers,

Updated coronavirus guidance

The Government has recently reverted to their plan A guidance to manage covid within England, including within all schools. It is anticipated that the Government will confirm that no periods of isolation or any further covid measures will be required past the twenty-fifth of March at the conclusion of the 2020 Coronavirus Act.

Our role as a school during this interim time

The role of the school is to educate all children in a covid-safe environment. We take this responsibility seriously and have updated the school risk assessment which has been added to the school website for you to read if you wish. This risk assessment can be found on the coronavirus section of our website of through following this hyperlink:

<https://primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/manor-court-community/UploadedDocument/c0c0a0d9-8969-437e-932a-81f6d685fdb9/ppat-covid-ra-as-of-1st-feb-2022.pdf>

If your child has any of the known symptoms (high temperature, persistent cough etc.) and are feeling unwell then we will continue to send them home to prevent other children or members of staff becoming unwell.

Parental responsibilities

We have appreciated your ongoing support throughout the pandemic and acknowledge the importance of this as we come to its conclusion. We ask that if you suspect that your child has coronavirus that you email our covid case email address (covidcase@manorcourt.ppat365.org) or the year group email address to ask for advice as to what we would like you to do.

Some parents have requested answers to the two questions below and we feel that it is important for parents to receive this.

My child has tested positive for COVID-19 – how long do they have to stay away from school/college for? (Answer copied directly from the DFE website)

All people – including pupils, parents, and teachers - have to isolate for a minimum of five **full** days after the day of a positive test before then going back to school if they have tested negative twice.

The first **full** day of isolation is considered to be the day following the positive test. Following the fifth full day of isolation – on the sixth day - it will be possible for people who have received two negative LFD tests on consecutive days to go back to school.

People who have tested positive can now take two LFD tests on day 5 and day 6, and if both are negative and they do not have a temperature, they can end their self-isolation on day 6 and return to their education setting immediately.

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

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In practice it means that if a child or teacher tests positive on a Saturday, that would be considered day 0. They could then take tests on the morning of Thursday (day 5) and Friday (day 6). If they tested negative on both days and did not have a temperature, they would be then able to return to school on the Friday.

Can my child come into school if they are a close contact of a person with coronavirus?

Government guidance has changed and if your child is a close contact of a person who has tested positive for coronavirus, they can continue to attend school if the following measures are met:-

1. Please inform us that your child has been a close contact by emailing the school coronavirus email address covidcase@manorcourt.ppat365.org
2. They take a LFT test daily for seven days each morning before school and the test remains negative.
3. Please send daily photographic evidence of your child's negative test result to our coronavirus email address covidcase@manorcourt.ppat365.org and log the result with the NHS by scanning the QR code at the bottom of the test.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you require further clarification.

Yours sincerely,



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