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Dear Parents,

Following the recent changes in guidance announced by the government on 21<sup>st</sup> February, we would like to clarify what you need to do if your child becomes ill.

From 24<sup>th</sup> February 2022, the legal requirement for people with COVID-19 to isolate ended. However, the Public Health and Government advice remains the same: if anyone has the main symptoms of COVID-19 or a positive test, they should stay at home and avoid contact with other people. If you have any symptoms of COVID-19 you are still advised to take a test.

The main symptoms of COVID-19 are:

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

We therefore remind you not to send your child into school if they have any of the symptoms of COVID-19, or if they have tested positive. If we feel your child has any of the 3 main symptoms of COVID-19, in order to protect the other pupils and staff, we will ask you to collect them. If your child tests positive they are advised to stay at home for at least five full days, and return when they have two negative LFD tests on consecutive days.

Thank you for your support in helping to keep our school safe.

Regards,

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