

12 November 2021

Dear Parent/Carer

We are closely monitoring the data around Covid infections and unfortunately, case rates are currently rising again at concerning levels.

Our concern is that the increase in rates among younger people will lead to higher levels of infection among older, more vulnerable groups. We are seeing multiple cases of Covid among people living in the same household showing how easy the infection can spread to other family members.

We are writing to you today to advise that our school has reviewed its Covid-19 risk assessment and from November 15th we are introducing these additional measures:

The Academy is therefore encouraging:

- **All students to test weekly, using Lateral Flow Devices.**
- Anyone who **tests positive** should follow national guidance and **then take a PCR test.**
- Anyone who tests **positive on a PCR test**, we would request **to complete the [Google Form](#)** in the link and report the result and any students in school who may have been close contacts.
- We will then inform those students who have been **identified as a close contact**, and again, following national guidance, encourage them to **take a PCR test.**
- Those who have been **identified as a close contact**, public health is also requesting that **daily LFT tests are taken following the PCR test**, as a precaution.
- In addition, the local health protection team are encouraging all staff and students to wear masks in communal areas. Students may also wish to wear masks in the classroom also.

Yours faithfully



Mr Tom Urwin
Principal