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Covid Update

Dear parents,

As you will all be aware, the restrictions regarding Covid 19 were updated over the past week. I am sure we will all agree that there appears to be a light at the end of the tunnel and things feel like they are moving in a positive direction.

Following the government announcements, we felt it was incredibly important that the schools within our FAVSP (Frodsham and Village Schools Partnership) follow the same plans in order to ensure that our families and communities remain as safe as possible, and interruption to learning is kept to a minimum. Having reviewed the guidance from both the DFE and Public Health England, all schools will be asking all staff and children to:

- Remain at home if you present with any of the main symptoms of Covid 19
- Remain at home if you receive a positive test result

Many people will no longer be infectious to others after 5 days. You may choose to take an LFD test from 5 days after your symptoms started (or the day your test was taken if you did not have symptoms) followed by another LFD test the next day. If both these test results are negative, and you do not have a high temperature, the risk that you are still infectious is much lower and you can safely return to school and your normal routine.

It is absolutely vital that learning can continue for as many as possible, as schools we will continue to ensure good hygiene for everyone: maintain appropriate cleaning regimes: keep occupied spaces well ventilated and follow public health advice on testing and self-isolation. In additional to these measures, individual schools will liaise with PHE when managing confirmed cases of COVID-19. When necessary, measures may need to be stepped back up, this will be communicated via email.

Although regular, routine testing is no longer required, please be vigilant. The main symptoms of COVID-19 are a recent onset of any of the following:

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

If your child has any of these symptoms you <u>should order a PCR test</u>. They are advised to stay at home and avoid contact with other people while they are waiting for the test result.

Other symptoms linked with COVID-19 include shortness of breath, fatigue, loss of appetite, muscle ache, sore throat, headache, stuffy or runny nose, diarrhoea, nausea and vomiting. Any of these symptoms may also have another cause.

The following link provides all up to date information regarding self isolation.

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-people-with-covid-19-and-their-contacts/covid-19-people-with-covid-19-and-their-contacts



















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We would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our families for their continued support throughout the pandemic. If you have any questions or concerns at all, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours sincerely,

















