

7th January 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

As you will know, this term began with a Covid testing programme carried out by the school for all eligible students. This is a one-off programme and thereafter we would urge all families to continue to test twice weekly using the lateral flow testing kits.

Positive Lateral Flow Test

Please note that from next Tuesday 11th January 2022, people will not be required to take the confirmatory PCR test. Instead, we are required to self-isolate immediately if we get a positive lateral flow test.

Symptoms

In the event of an individual in your household developing any symptoms, they should stay at home and follow the government guidance as detailed [here](#).

Typical symptoms include:

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

If you have any of the above symptoms, however mild, you should self-isolate and immediately access a free [PCR Test](#). Students required to self-isolate should be receiving access to online lessons - do let your child's Year Leader know if you are experiencing any difficulty in accessing these online lessons.

Face Coverings

The Government has advised that all students now need to wear a face covering in both classrooms and in communal areas. Please ensure that your child brings a face covering to school every day. While most students have been extremely reliable in remembering a face covering each day, there have been some who have forgotten each day. We cannot continue to supply face coverings to students who regularly forget, and reluctantly, we will soon need to consider charging for masks if students do not bring their own.



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Parental Support

Your home circumstances may have changed over the last year. If you require further support regarding the process of applying for Free School Meals, please contact the school and a member of the DWHS (Dormers Wells High School) team will support you with the application.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully,

Ms R Walsh
Headteacher



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