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## Advice to Parents - Warn and Inform – Courtenay Class

Dear Parents,

There has been a confirmed case of Covid-19 with a pupil that your child is likely to have been in close contact with for a long period of time.

While we have not been alerted by the UK Health Security Agency we want to alert you to ensure we continue to keep each other safe.

There are new guidelines, and **you no longer need to book a PCR test** (unless you have symptoms).

We would be grateful if you could **test your child using a Lateral Flow Test (LFT) before school, every morning, for the next 7 days**. This advice applies to children aged 5 and over. You can get LFT tests free of charge from:

- pharmacies. You will need a code which you can get from this website <https://test-for-coronavirus.service.gov.uk/collect-lateral-flow-kits>
- Telephone 119 to order
- You can also order by post but these will take a few days <https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests>

**Your child can continue to attend to school** if they test negative on the Lateral Flow Test.

If they test positive, they will need to isolate at home.

In addition to daily LFD testing for close contacts, we encourage household members that are aged 11 and over to continue with twice weekly LFD testing to help identify cases promptly.

**If at any time your child develops COVID-19 symptoms, even with a negative LFT, please isolate them and book a PCR test. They can return to school if the test is negative and must follow the new isolation rules if positive.**

Thank you for continuing to support us in keeping our children and community safe.

Kind Regards

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