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Dear Parents and Carers

## New Guidance Regarding Isolating - Stop Transmissions of covid-19

### Public Health England have requested the following action:

Any child or member of staff who has been identified as a contact and directed to self-isolate should be asked to **undertake a PCR test at the beginning of their isolation period.**

o A negative result will not enable them to return earlier. This is being requested to identify any asymptomatic individuals who may have been asked to isolate.

o If they test positive this enables further contact tracing to be instigated with their family directly which can help prevent further community transmission or a potential source of exposure in the community.

Your assistance and actions in this global pandemic are crucial in stopping the spread of this virus in our community.

Stay safe

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