

An Ashmole Academy Trust School

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## Advice update to all Year 1 Parents and Carers

Dear Year 1 Parents and Carers,

The year group has seen a few cases of Covid in the last week. Thankfully, for those who have tested positive have very mild symptoms and in most cases are asymptomatic. The health and safety of our whole community is paramount and every decision we make has everyone's wellbeing at the centre.

**Year 1 Nova Class** will be in a separate bubble for the next few days to help diffuse the situation. This will include playtimes and lunchtimes. Before your child attends any breakfast club or any after school club they will need to have a lateral flow test to indicate a negative result for peace of mind.

You can also support us with minimising the transmission of Covid by following these recommendations:

- Please ensure you help your child take a lateral flow test each day this week and keep them home if it is positive.
- If your child tests positive, consider keeping siblings at home to isolate as well (remote learning will be provided)
- Continue with hygiene routines increased hand washing and sanitising.
- You may want to wear a mask when coming to and from school.

## Self-isolation period for those who test positive for COVID-19

People who are self-isolating with COVID-19 can now reduce their isolation period after 5 full days if they test negative with an LFD test on both day 5 and day 6 and they do not have a temperature. If they test negative on the morning of day 5 and the morning of day 6, they can return to school on day 6. The first test must be taken no earlier than day 5 of the self-isolation period, and the second must be taken the following day. All test results should be <u>reported to NHS</u> <u>Test and Trace</u>. If the result of either test is positive, they should continue to self-isolate until they get negative results from two LFD tests on consecutive days or until they have completed 10 full days of self-isolation, whichever is earliest. Further <u>information on self-isolation for those with COVID-19</u> is available.

We thank you in advance for your continued support. Should you wish to discuss anything, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

Best wishes.

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