

Thursday 18th November 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

RE: Covid Cases Update 2 – Rota for Remote Learning Continues

As promised, this letter is to provide an update on covid cases across the Academy and our current staffing levels, with a decision to continue our rota for remote learning into next week.

The number of positive (PCR) student cases has increased slightly from last week, although this reflects the number of students that were absent following a positive lateral flow, now converted to a positive PCR:

Year Group	Number of Cases
7	16
8	14
9	4
10	1
11	4

It is important that families continue with twice-weekly lateral flow testing, on a Wednesday and Sunday, as well as ensuring that anyone with covid symptoms does not attend the Academy, but self-isolates and completes a PCR test as soon as possible.

Although staff absence is improving, (it is now just below 20%) the next wave of staff returning to work (so long as they are fit and well to do so) is staggered over the start of next week. For this reason, we need to continue the rota system for remote learning, with the following groups working from home as detailed below:

Year Group	Remote Learning Day
7	Monday 22 nd
8	Tuesday 23 rd
9	Wednesday 24 th

Students working remotely can access work set over MS TEAMS using their normal log-in details, and a reminder of working remotely can be found on our website here: [Remote Learning - Oak Academy \(oak-academy.co.uk\)](https://www.oak-academy.co.uk)

Years 10 and 11 continue to attend as normal.

Based on current figures, I expect that the rota can be lifted from Wednesday. I will of course continue to monitor the situation very closely, writing to you again on Tuesday 23rd to confirm that this remains the case.

As ever, do not hesitate in contacting me should you have any questions.

Yours sincerely,



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