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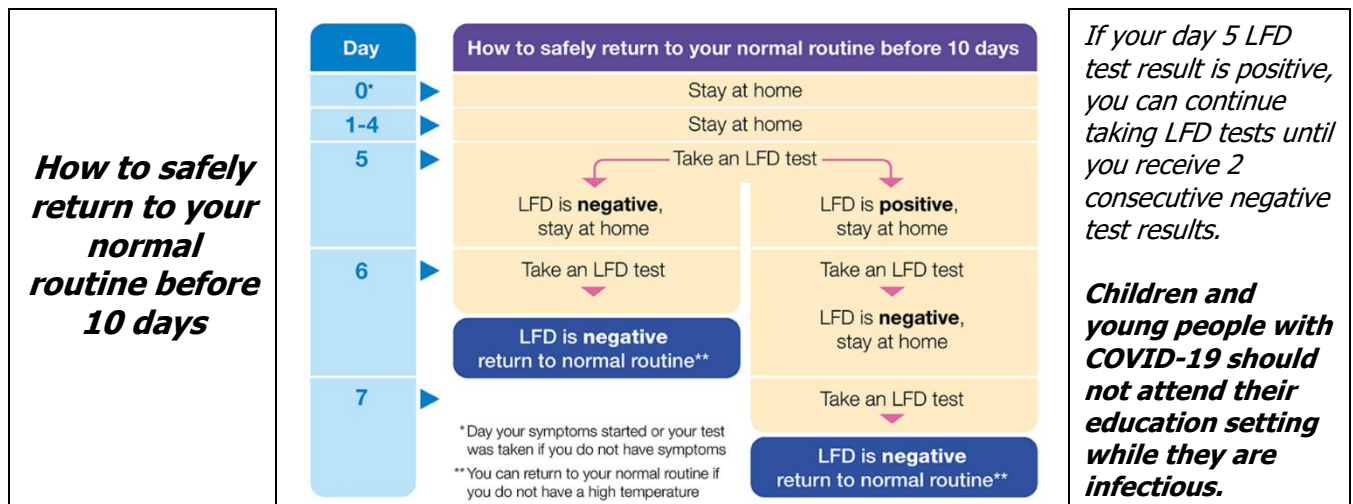
Dear Parents and Carers

RE: Updated Covid 19 Guidance

I am writing further to the recent government announcement regarding Covid 19. As you will be aware, as of 24 February 2022, the government intends to treat Covid 19 as any other infectious disease and has updated UK legislation to reflect this.

It is very important to remember that schools have a duty to protect all of their pupils and staff from potential harm, including from catching Covid 19. Therefore, pupils and staff at Oak Academy will be asked to follow the government guidance which continues to advise those with Covid 19 to self-isolate for at least five full days.

The full guidance can be found here: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-people-with-covid-19-and-their-contacts>. Key extracts are below:

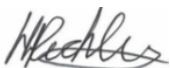


Please also be aware of the following information that has been released to schools:

- [Schools] can take the decision to refuse the pupil [from attending] if, in [their] reasonable judgement, it is necessary to protect other pupils and staff from possible infection with COVID-19.
- Schools [e.g. pupils and staff] will not be expected to continue taking part in regular asymptomatic testing and should follow asymptomatic testing advice for the general population: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing/get-tested-for-coronavirus/>

As ever, please continue to contact the office if you need further advice or information.

Yours Sincerely,



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