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Dear Parent,

This is to inform you of a change to the government guidance on the lateral flow testing in schools. Following new advice from NHS Test and Trace and Public Health England (PHE) the DfE are temporarily pausing the daily contact testing element of the testing programme, which was in place as an alternative to self-isolation for those who came into contact with positive cases in schools.

The previous guidance stated that if a child was identified as a 'close contact' they could be tested daily in school for 7 days instead of isolating at home for 10 days. We will now not be able to offer this in school. However we are still required to report and record contacts and positive cases, so please continue to inform us if anyone in your household is showing symptoms or tests positive.

Yours faithfully

Zoe House
Headteacher