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Dear Parent/Carer

Although many of the specific COVID-19 laws have changed, the public health guidance remains largely unchanged. The principles of hands, face, space and fresh air remain key to infection control, and we continue to ask people to act responsibly by staying at home and away from others if they have symptoms or test positive for COVID-19. When a pupil, staff or other adult develops COVID-19 symptoms or has a positive test they should follow the guidance People with COVID-19 and their contacts which advises;

"Children and young people with COVID-19 should not attend their education setting while they are infectious. They should take an LFD test from 5 days after their symptoms started (or the day their test was taken if they did not have symptoms) followed by another one the next day. If both these tests results are negative, they should return to their educational setting if they normally attend one, as long as they feel well enough to do so and do not have a temperature. They should follow the guidance for their educational setting."

We have a responsibility under the existing Public Health Laws and Health Protection Regulations to respond appropriately to all infectious diseases (e.g. Mumps, Measles, Rubella, and COVID-19). We do this by making sure we follow published guidance and have in place risk assessments and Health and Safety policies. Therefore, in line with our risk assessment and related policies, children and young people who test positive or have symptoms of COVID-19 must stay at home as per the published guidance.

Some of you may have concerns and anxieties about the relaxation of the rules and I have included the following web site links which you may find helpful.

- What parents and carers need to know about early years providers, schools and colleges during COVID-19
- COVID-19 (coronavirus) FAQs (justonenorfolk.nhs.uk)

Thank you for your continued support as we move to a new phase of living with COVID-19 .

Yours sincerely

K. Rutherford
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