



Eastlea Year 6 COVID update



29/1/22

Dear Parents / Carers,

As outlined in our Covid protocols, **I wanted to let you know that this lunchtime we have been advised of a POSITIVE Lateral Flow Test for Covid within the Year 6 class.** The family have followed all the latest guidelines and as they were in school all of last week the other children/staff in Year 6 are potential 'close contacts'.

We ask you to be vigilant and alert to any symptoms of illness whatsoever – in this case there were none of the 'usual' Covid symptoms – just a sore throat. Other cases last week in other classes have involved a runny nose, sore stomach or headaches... or they have been totally asymptomatic.

National guidance now states that close contacts of COVID-19 cases including children aged 5+ should take an LFD test every day for seven days and, if negative, can continue to attend school as normal. If symptoms emerge, however mild, then a PCR test should still be sought.

We know that many of you are doing regular testing with your children anyway, but we would now ask that your child takes a lateral flow test before they come to school in the morning each day for the coming week. If there are problems sourcing a test then please contact Mrs Stafford in the first instance.

If your child is unwell, or there is a positive case identified in your household, then we continue to recommend that you ring school to alert us and strongly consider keeping your child off school as a precaution to protect other pupils and staff in the class.

Thank you for your support and ongoing vigilance.

Miss E Beeston, Head Teacher