THE PIGGOTT SCHOOL

A Church of England Academy

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Dear Parents and Students

I write as an update to the national guidance in regard to COVID-19. The guidance for health protection in schools and other childcare settings has now been updated.

The main summary for public health management of specific infectious diseases for respiratory infections including COVID-19 are as follows:

- Symptoms include runny nose, high temperature, cough and sore throat.
- For most children these illnesses will not be serious, and they soon recover.
- Children with mild symptoms such as a runny nose, sore throat or mild cough, who are otherwise well, can continue to attend their education or childcare setting.
- Children and young people who are unwell and have a **high temperature** should stay at home and where possible, avoid contact with other people. They can go back to their education or childcare setting when they no longer have a high temperature and are well enough.
- If a child or young person has a positive COVID-19 test result, they should try to stay at home and, where possible, avoid contact with other people for 3 days after the day they took the test. The risk of passing the infection on to others from is much lower after 3 days if they feel well and do not have a high temperature.
- Any staff who have a positive COVID-19 test result should try to stay at home for 5 days after the day they took the test.
- Children and young people who usually attend an education or childcare setting and who live with someone who has a positive COVID-19 test result should continue to attend as normal.
- If a parent or carer insists on a child with symptoms attending an educational setting, where they have a confirmed or suspected case of an infectious illness, Headteachers can take the decision to refuse the child in order to protect other children and staff.



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Climate for learning The school can no longer distribute LFT tests to students. Students should continue to wash their hands, or sanitise them, on arrival at school and regularly during the day.

Thank you for your continuing support.

Yours faithfully

D J Gray Headteacher



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