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Dear Parent/Guardian

Revision to covid-control measures

Further to my letter on Friday informing you that face coverings are recommended for all staff and students in communal areas from today, I am writing to outline further control measures that we are introducing in the school. Since Wednesday last week, we have been informed of over 25 positive covid results in our school community and are awaiting results on a further 10 cases. In order to reduce the transmission risk in the school, the following measures are to be introduced with immediate effect:

- If anybody in the household of a student tests positive, the student **must isolate until the results of a PCR test taken on days 3-5 since the result was received are known**. They can return to school if the result is negative;
- If a student receives notification from NHS Test & Trace that they should undertake a PCR test as they have been identified as a close contact, they **must isolate until the result of the PCR test is known**. They can return to school if the result is negative.

Our risk assessment has been updated to reflect these additional measures and is available on our website [here](#).

Work will be available for students who are isolating via Google classroom, we will aim to make this available by 5pm on the day that we are notified of the isolation. Please note that if your child is unwell, there is no pressure for them to complete this work.

Please can I encourage you to support your child to test twice a week at home and to report the results. Your child/(ren) can obtain further kits via their tutor if they have run out.

We thank you in advance for your co-operation with keeping our school community as safe as possible in the current phase of the pandemic. We are hopeful that this proactive action will limit further transmission within the school community. Public Health England will request further measures to be introduced when 10% of a year group has tested positive, we will write to you in due course if this becomes applicable to Maiden Erlegh Reading.

Yours sincerely

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