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Dear Parent / Guardian,

As we progress into a new school academic year, this is a timely reminder of Covid-19 guidance and action to be taken in the event of a confirmed positive case.

We encourage good hand and respiratory hygiene and ensure adequate ventilation, as ongoing measures of good practice and prevention.

Re: Covid-19, schools follow the general Public Health Agency guidance.

The current advice is available on NI Direct at:

<https://www.nidirect.gov.uk/articles/coronavirus-covid-19-testing-and-stay-home-advice>

The current advice for a confirmed case is:

If you have a positive COVID-19 test result, you should follow the advice below:

- stay at home and avoid contact with other people for five days (or **three days for children and young people under 18 years of age**) after the day of the test, or from the day symptoms started (whichever was earlier)
- avoid contact with people you know [to be at higher risk from COVID-19](#) for 10 days especially those with a weakened immune system
- do not visit others in a health or social care setting for 10 days
- continue to take precautions, such as regularly washing your hands and wearing a face mask, particularly in crowded indoor places
- let everyone in your household, and have had close contact with, know

Advice for Close Contacts is:

If you know that you have been in close contact with someone who has tested positive during the infectious period, you should avoid contact with people you know to be at higher risk of severe disease should they contract COVID-19.

You should not visit others in a hospital, care home or other health and care setting.

You should pay close attention to the general advice to reduce transmission of respiratory viruses.

- [Coronavirus \(COVID-19\): how to stay safe and help prevent the spread](#)

Be aware of the [symptoms of respiratory illness including COVID-19](#).

Children and young people who usually go to school, college or childcare and who live with someone who has a positive coronavirus test result should continue to attend as normal.

If you have any queries or wish to report a pupil's absence, please contact the school office.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Cullinan
(Principal)