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Dear parents and carers,

You will be aware of the recent government announcement regarding the lifting of legally binding restrictions in place for Covid 19. There are two main points from this announcement which affect us as a school.

- Firstly, the expectation for staff and pupils to test twice weekly has been dropped
- Secondly, anyone who tests positive for Covid-19 no longer legally needs to self-isolate

Although the legal requirement has gone, government advice is that anyone testing positive for Covid-19 is still strongly advised to self-isolate for 5 days. Thankfully, cases of Covid-19 both here at St Mary's and in the wider community are dropping. However, I am asking that any pupil or member of staff who tests positive sticks to this government recommendation of 5 days isolation away from school. This is done to ensure that cases do not spread unnecessarily, whilst protecting those children and adults who still have health vulnerabilities.

In essence, there will be no change to our current arrangements for dealing with positive Covid-19 cases for the remainder of this half-term. We will review our approach, considering any new government advice, before we return from the Easter break. It remains the case that pupils can wear a face covering in any part of the school building if they so wish.

Parents and carers can continue to report any positive Covid-19 results for their child to our email address – c19@lsmchs.com or by contacting school reception by the usual means.

Many thanks for your continued support in this matter,

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'P. Thompson'.

Mr Thompson

Headteacher