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# Ackton Pastures Primary Academy

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Dear Parents and Carers,

You will have received a letter this week informing you that we have had two further cases of Covid-19 within our school community. Unfortunately, this has resulted in the closure of two bubbles and remote learning beginning again for some of our children. With the wider introduction of lateral flow tests (rapid 30 minute tests), this week's newsletter is aimed to inform you of what to do if you have a positive result from a lateral flow test or if anyone in your household develops symptoms.

### *My child or someone in my household has Covid symptoms*

If you, your child, or anyone in your household develops a new continuous cough (three or more coughing episodes in 24 hours or a persistent cough), a change to their sense of taste or smell, or a high temperature, you must stay at home and arrange to have a PCR Covid test. These are booked through this website <https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test>

You must not send your child to school until you have received your test result. If your test result is negative, your child may return to school. If your test result is positive you must complete your 10 days isolation before you return to school.

You must inform school of your test result.

### *I have taken a lateral flow test and the result is positive*

If you have taken a lateral flow test and the result is positive, you must arrange to have a PCR test as soon as possible. Your household, including your children, should isolate until you have received the results. If your child has taken a lateral flow test and the result is positive, you must inform school immediately and arrange for them to have a PCR test. You can email school at [ap-enquiries@ipmat.co.uk](mailto:ap-enquiries@ipmat.co.uk) even if your test is at the weekend.

You must inform school of the results of your child's PCR test.

Failure to organise a PCR test after a positive lateral flow test, could result in bubbles having to close and self-isolate, potentially unnecessarily. This has a huge impact upon our school community, families, parents and staff and so I urge all parents to follow this guidance and support school as we try to do all we can to keep our school community safe.

Thank you for your continued support.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "K Lea".

Miss K. Lea, Headteacher

The Headteacher is the designated person for all child protection issues