



## Scalby School

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

This week there has been an increase of COVID cases amongst students and staff in school. To try and reduce the spread we are asking that from **Friday 19th November all students wear a face covering when moving between lessons and in communal indoor areas**. We will be reminding students to put their masks on when they enter the building and when transiting between lessons. This measure is being taken in line with our COVID contingency plan and Public Health England guidance.

I would like to thank you in advance for your support with this and in ensuring that your children bring a mask to school each day. This is a precaution that I see lasting for the remainder of the term and is one that I feel will be beneficial.

Thank you to those parents that have been encouraging their children to do lateral flow testing, twice weekly. Please continue to do this for the remainder of this term. The next batch of lateral flow tests are being provided to students in school this week.

The remainder of this letter sets out guidance on what to do if your child develops symptoms of COVID-19.

For most people, coronavirus (COVID-19) will be a mild illness.

If your child develops symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19), they should get a PCR test and remain at home at least until the result is known. If negative, the child can end self-isolation; if positive, the child should isolate until at least 10 days after their symptoms appeared. Symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are a new, continuous cough, or a high temperature, or a loss of, or change in, their normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia). If the child has a positive test result but do not have [symptoms](#), they should stay at home and self-isolate for 10 days from the date the positive test was taken. This isolation period will be extended if they go on to develop symptoms by counting 10 full days from the day following their symptom onset. Anyone with symptoms will be eligible for a PCR test (the normally available test type) and this can be arranged via [Get a free PCR test to check if you have coronavirus \(COVID-19\) - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#) or by calling 119.

Further information is available at

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>

Yours sincerely,

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