

22 March 2021

Dear Parent or Carer,

Following a home Lateral Flow test we have been made aware of a positive test result of COVID-19 from a student within the school. We have conducted a thorough risk assessment using our new proximity software and worked with Wiltshire Council Public Health team, Public Health England and the Department of Education to identify close contacts and any additional actions required. All close contacts have been identified and the parents and carers of pupils identified as close contacts have been notified in a separate communication.

However, as this was a positive test result of a Lateral Flow Test taken at home, the individual student is now having a follow up PCR test as per the guidance. If the PCR test comes back negative, children will no longer need to self-isolate and can return to school. We hope to have this result back within the next 48 hours.

At this stage there is no link with the previous positive result last week.

Whilst I fully understand this will cause anxiety amongst the school community, I can assure you all necessary steps are being taken to minimise the risk to others, to cause the least disruption possible and to support all those affected.

It is important that children carry on self-testing at home every Monday and Thursday with their home testing kits.

If you do have any further questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact me,

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