



6<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

There has been new guidance released regarding PCR tests following a positive Lateral Flow Device (LFD) test with no symptoms. Confirmatory PCR tests following a positive LFD test result are to be temporarily suspended from Tuesday 11 January. This will mean that anyone who receives a positive LFD test result will be required to self-isolate immediately and will not be required to take a confirmatory PCR test. If you have symptoms you will still need to book a PCR test. Please keep our Attendance Officer updated if you need to isolate at [attendance@barnwood-park.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:attendance@barnwood-park.gloucs.sch.uk).

**Face Coverings** - The wearing of face coverings is now compulsory in lessons and communal areas (unless medically exempt), this includes all indoor areas as per the Government guidance. This has been adapted to well by the school community and I am proud of how they have taken this in their stride.

Following Government guidance and to help school re-start as safely as possible, we asked students to complete 2 LFD tests before returning. This was very successful and thank you for your efforts in this. 34 students tested positive and did not return to school, helping to maintain the safety of the school community. We wish them a speedy recovery.

We ask that your child continues to test twice a week with their LFD tests (on a Wednesday and Sunday) and log the results on the links below, keeping Attendance informed of positive results.

**Students Reporting Lateral Flow Self-Test Results to School**

Please inform school of the test result using this link <http://bit.ly/studentcovidtestresults>

You will also need to log the test results with the NHS via the gov.uk website <https://www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result>

Students who test positive in any of their LFD tests **should not attend school**. If this occurs please inform school using [attendance@barnwood-park.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:attendance@barnwood-park.gloucs.sch.uk).

We would like to remind you of the importance of good attendance for your child to help them meet their potential and gain the best possible outcomes and future opportunities. Please work with our Attendance Officer, Form Tutors and Pastoral Leaders to ensure your child arrives on time and we overcome any barriers to ensure your child beats our target of 95% attendance.

Kind regards

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