



Dear parents/ carers

There has been some change in guidance for schools in light of the new Omicron COVID variant that impacts on all children (aged 5 or above) and families in school.

If a child or member of staff (or anyone in the community) is deemed by Test and Trace to be a close contact of anyone with COVID (of any variant), they should take daily lateral flow tests (LFT) for 7 days instead of isolating. These should be in the morning prior to coming to school.

If we feel that your child may have been a close contact of a COVID case in school, we may contact you and ask you to complete the daily testing.

We are very aware that many younger children find these tests very uncomfortable but we do ask all parents to get their child to take a test if asked. If your child is not able/ willing to complete LFTs when deemed a contact, please contact me to discuss options with us if the need arises on [globb@joe.srscmat.co.uk](mailto:globb@joe.srscmat.co.uk) .

Currently these plans are in place until the end of term but, if cases stay high nationally, I would fully expect them to still be place in January.

We do NOT have boxes of LFTs in school. If you need LFTs, please order them [here](#).

If anything changes either between now and the end of term – or in the Christmas holidays, we will be in touch with you.

Thank you for your continued understanding and working with us to keep our whole school community as safe as possible.

God bless

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