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## COVID 19 Advice and guidance in place from Thursday 24 February 2022

Dear Parents, Carers and Staff

Today the Prime Minister has set out the next phase of the government's COVID-19 response '[Living with COVID-19](#)'. COVID-19 continues to be a virus that we learn to live with and the imperative to reduce the disruption to children and young people's education remains.

- Staff and students of secondary age and above in SEND settings, alternative provision settings, and SEND units within mainstream settings or equivalent in further education colleges are advised to continue twice-weekly testing. We will continue to give out lateral flow testing kits and will continue to test those students in school that we currently do. We appreciate the support you give in helping to provide a safe environment for our families.
- From this date, there is no legal requirement to self-isolate following a positive test, however, **the updated guidance states that if adults and children test positive they will continue to be advised to stay at home and avoid contact for at least five full days**, and then continue to follow guidance until they have received two negative lateral flow tests, the earliest being day 5 and day 6.
- Those that are classed as a close contact will no longer need to test daily for 7 days

Thank you for your help and support during these continued difficult times. If you have any questions then please do contact the school office on [office@allsaintslessingham.co.uk](mailto:office@allsaintslessingham.co.uk) or 01692 582083.

Students following our lateral flow program should have an adequate supply of lateral flow tests as boxes were distributed before half term to enable them to carry on testing at home.

We are expecting further guidance around the changes later this week, as soon as we do we will communicate this with you.

Kind regards,  
Sam Dangerfield