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Dear Parents/Carers

COVID Update

We have had one or two positive cases of COVID this week. Fortunately, because of the changes to government guidance around self-isolation, this has not affected too many staff or students. However, if your child displays any of the following symptoms please do not send them into school and book a PCR test for them:

- A new continuous cough
- A high temperature (above 38 degrees) or a very hot chest and back
- Loss of smell or taste

We appreciate that this is 'the season' where many of us may have a slight cough or cold, but if your child has a high temperature or displays any of the above symptoms in school we will call you and ask you to collect them, as they will not be able to travel home on school transport. We will also ask you to book a PCR test. If this is negative they can return to school; otherwise they will need to isolate for ten days.

If your child has an upset stomach, diarrhoea or vomiting, they must stay at home for 48 hours.

We do need to ensure that school remains a safe place for all staff and students and we appreciate your co-operation in this matter.

Reminders

- If you need to take your child out of school for any reason you must put a request in writing to lynda.walker@oaklodeschool.org. Please do not request time off for a holiday as I am not allowed to authorise this.
- If your child is in KS3 or KS4 they should be wearing school uniform unless we are holding a non-uniform day.
- School finishes on Thursday October 21st for half-term and re-opens on Monday November 1st.

With many thanks and best wishes.

Lynda Walker
Headteacher