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Dear Parents and Carers

Covid Guidance Update

I hope you are having a good week. Please see below some updates on various issues affecting your children.

Testing and Self-Isolation: The government has announced that asymptomatic testing guidance has lifted for staff and pupils in most education settings. The legal requirement for self-isolation was also lifted yesterday. However, we advise any ***pupils who test positive to stay at home*** and avoid contact with others for at least 5 full days, and then continue to follow guidance until they have received negative tests on two consecutive days. We would like to remind parents and carers that school attendance is mandatory for all pupils of compulsory school age and your children should be attending school unless they are not well enough to do so.

School Bags: Children will be allowed to bring school bags to school as of Monday. We encourage children to use our blue Barley Lane book bags, but other bags of a reasonable size will also be allowed.

Stationery: Children are ***not allowed*** to bring their own pencil cases or stationery into school. We will continue to provide pens, pencils, rulers, erasers and glue. Children can take their own set of colouring pencils only, to store in their trays.

PE Kits: Children should continue to wear their PE kits to school on their allocated days.

Uniform: There has been an increase in the number of pupils wearing PE kits with large logos and trainers which are not black. Many children are also wearing pink hair accessories. These are ***not allowed***; hair accessories should be plain black or dark blue. Please refer to our [Uniform Policy](#) for further information.

Wishing you a restful and peaceful weekend and thank you for your support during what has been a challenging pandemic period.

Kind regards

Mr Henry, Head teacher

