Dear parents/carers

I am writing to you to give you further information about the implications of the changes in the national regulations regarding COVID-19. Many of our arrangements in college will remain unchanged, but the following changes will be implemented immediately:

•If your child develops symptoms of COVID-19, then they should take a test, and stay at home until they receive the result of the test. If they do test positive for COVID-19, please inform the college as soon as possible.

•Although the legal requirement to isolate has ended, the public health guidance remains that students who test positive for COVID-19 should isolate initially for five days, and should then take LFD tests on a daily basis. If they test negative 24 hours apart on two consecutive days from day 5 onwards then they can return to school. We ask that students who test positive for COVID-19 will follow this guidance in order to prevent the spread of infection within the college community. The school reserves the right to refuse entry to a student if, in our reasonable judgement, it is necessary to protect other students and staff from possible infection with COVID-19.

•There is no longer a recommendation that students test themselves twice a week on a routine basis, therefore we do not expect this to continue.

•In the event of an outbreak within college, it is possible that control measures may be re-introduced including the wearing of face coverings.

•The college will continue to provide remote education to students who have to isolate due to testing positive for COVID-19.

Yours sincerely

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