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Dear parent/carer

Thank you for the positive support and flexibility that you have given us as we have reopened this academic year.

The students have settled in well and have quickly gotten back into the routines and protocols that allow a school to run successfully and safely. The 'return to normality' is most welcome and a very positive step. It is made possible by the way in which we all support each other through regular Lateral Flow testing and following the guidelines as they continue to evolve.

Along with this letter we have sent a home Lateral Flow testing kit to allow students to continue to be tested twice per week – ideally on a Sunday and Wednesday evening. If a positive result is indicated, then this needs logging via the Covid tab on the school website.

The Lateral Flow tests are designed to identify asymptomatic cases. If the test comes back positive, then the advice is to follow this up with a PCR test booked via the government website. If the PCR test is negative, and within 48 hours of the positive Lateral Flow test, then the Lateral Flow test is overridden, and your child may return to school.

If your child presents with symptoms of Covid then a Lateral Flow test is not suitable. A PCR test should be booked, and the school contacted to let us know this and inform us of the result, whereupon we will advise you of further actions.

The government no longer expects schools to trace student contacts within school if there is a positive case, unless there is a significant number of related cases, in which instance the school acts on advice from the Local Health Board. However, starting this week we will publish figures of positive cases for students who attend Roundhill on our website and contact parents if there have been related cases that suggest it would be beneficial for a student to complete daily Lateral Flow tests to further reduce risk.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Tim Marston'.

Tim Marston
Headteacher

