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Dear Parents/Carers,

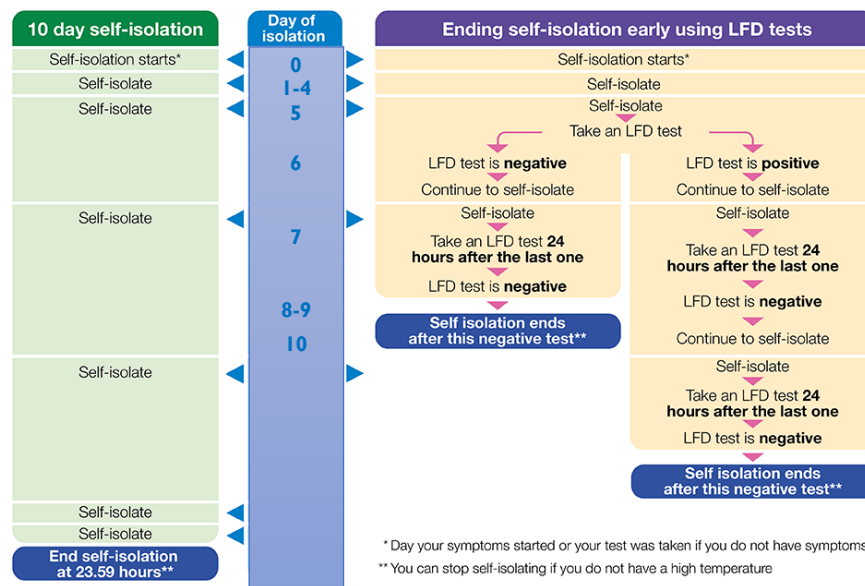
Re: Covid-19 outbreak management for close contacts

We would like to inform you that there are a number of confirmed cases of Covid-19 at Beacon Hill Academy in 8EHA, 7FKE & 9ETU. Your child has been identified as a close contact of a positive case in our school.

In line with our outbreak management plan, government guidance and following advice from Dudley Public Health it is strongly advised that your child undertakes daily LFT testing for the next 7 days in the morning before they leave the house. If they test positive during this period, they should isolate for 10 full days with day 1 being the day after the test or symptoms started.

However, in line with the new guidance if they test negative on an LFT on day 5 & 6 of their isolation period then they can return to school following the 2nd negative test if they don't have a temperature. **NB day 1 is the day after the initial positive test** e.g., initial test 1st of the month isolate immediately and start the 10 day count from 2nd of the month, therefore day 5 LFT testing is 6th of the month and day 6 testing is 7th of the month. Return to school on the day of the 2nd negative test.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/self-isolation-for-those-with-covid-19-can-end-after-five-full-days-following-two-negative-lfd-tests>



Please inform school of your child's positive result through the Beacon Hill Academy Website.



[Register ALL result on GOV.UK](#)

Furthermore, households of nursery, school and college aged children are strongly encouraged to take part in twice-weekly lateral flow testing. This is because 1 in 3 people have Covid-19 without displaying symptoms. If all families participate, it gives us the best chance of keeping our school safe and avoiding further transmission. For information on how to access lateral flow test kits visit www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests

Yours faithfully,

Mr S Dhami
Principal



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