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Miss Sylvia Thomas – Principal of Banbury Aspirations Campus

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Dear Parent/Carer

You will have seen the news and the change in threat level of Covid to a 4. We remain committed to ensuring that we reduce the risk of transmission as much as we can by encouraging members of the school community to wear face coverings whilst in communal areas, by opening windows and doors to ventilate shared spaces and by taking lateral flow tests regularly. Please support us by explaining to your children the reasons why we follow these precautions.

This is the latest guidance from the government which is due to come into force today:

Daily testing for contacts of COVID-19

From Tuesday 14 December, a new national approach to daily testing for contacts of COVID-19 is being introduced (including until the end of this term). All adults who are fully vaccinated and children aged 5 to 18 years and 6 months, identified as a contact of someone with COVID-19 – whether Omicron or not – should take a lateral flow device (LFD) test every day for 7 days instead of self-isolating. Daily testing by close contacts will help to slow the spread of COVID-19.

Daily testing for contacts of COVID-19 will help protect education settings by reducing transmission and will also help keep pupils in face-to-face education.

Can you please support your child to take a LFT on Tuesday night and Wednesday night please so that we reduce the chance of transmission in the last two days of term.



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Testing after Christmas for the spring term

You will also be aware that we are required to carry out testing again of all students on our return from the Christmas holidays.

Here are the testing times for both Wykham Park and Futures Institute.

Tuesday 4th January

These students will be in school for lessons from Wednesday 5th January as long as they test negative

Cohort	Time	Amount of students
Futures Year 7, 8, 9	8.45	93
Futures Year 10 and 11	9.45	94
Year 10 Wykham Park C7,C8,D7	10.45	85
Year 10 Wykham Park D8, N7, N8	11.45	79
Year 11 Wykham Park	1.00	127
Year 12 and Year 13	2.00	86

Wednesday 5th January

These students will be in school for lessons from Thursday 6th January as long as they test negative

Cohort	Time	Amount of students
Year 7 Wykham Park C1, C2, D1	8.45	88
Year 7 Wykham Park D2, N1, N2	9.45	85
Year 8 Wykham Park C3, C4, D3	10.45	62
Year 8 Wykham Park D4, N3, N4	11.45	64
Year 9 Wykham Park C5, C6, D5	1.00	84
Year 9 Wykham Park D6, N5, N6	2.00	82

Other dates for your diaries

Wednesday 15th December

Thursday 16th December

Campus Year 13 parents' evening (virtual)

School finishes for Christmas at 3.05 p.m. (no early finish)

Period 5 – all students walking/running the Santa run in aid of Katherine House Hospice. Donations £1.

Christmas jumpers and tracksuit bottoms or PE hoodies for the day

We wish you and your loved ones a safe and happy Christmas and we look forward to what we hope will be a much brighter 2022 for everyone.

Yours sincerely



Sylvia Thomas
Principal of Banbury Aspirations Campus