



5<sup>th</sup> April 2022

Dear Parents/Carers

### COVID update – April 2022

We have updated the guidance to reflect the latest Department for Education implemented from Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April as part of the national 'Living with Covid' plan, which sets out the Government's strategy to live with and manage the virus. Updated guidance is attached.

In summary, the updated guidance advises:

- **ADULTS** with the symptoms of a respiratory infection, and who have a high temperature or feel unwell, should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people until they feel well enough to resume normal activities and they no longer have a high temperature – a thermometer should be used in order to accurately record temperature
- **ADULTS** with a positive COVID-19 test result should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for **5 days**, which is when they are most infectious
- **CHILDREN** who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people. They can go back to school, college or childcare when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend
- **CHILDREN** with a positive COVID-19 test result should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for **3 days**

The guidance states, that the population now has much stronger protection against COVID-19 than at any other point in the pandemic. This is thanks to the success of the vaccination programme and access to antivirals, alongside natural immunity and increased scientific and public understanding about how to manage risk. We are therefore being asked to start to manage the virus as we do other respiratory infections.

At this time, the school is unaware of any planned vaccine programme being delivered by the NHS within school. We will keep you informed and advise you of any updates.

Thank you for your continued understanding and support.

Kind regards

*E Hartley-Criddle*

Emmie Hartley-Criddle  
Head of School



**Respect, Resilience, Integrity, Tolerance, Responsibility, Excellence**

Wellesley Park is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of the children and expects all staff to share this commitment