



# Malbank School and Sixth Form College



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Dear Parent/Guardian,

I wrote to you last week to update you on the latest guidance from the Local Authority as a result of case levels rising in the borough. I am writing to you today as there has been a further change in guidance which we need to share with you which makes a key change to the way we handle household positive cases across Cheshire East.

The new guidance from the LA states:

**“Pupils who are household contacts are now advised to stay at home for 5 days, must limit social contact and get a PCR test before coming back to school.**

**After returning from the 5-day isolation, pupils must then do daily LFTs on their return for the remainder of the 10-day period.”**

To clarify – if someone in the home tests positive for Covid-19:

- Any child attending Malbank must isolate at home for 5 days – please ensure you contact school immediately.
- After this 5-day period, they must receive a negative PCR to return to school.
- After they return, they must complete LFT home tests until the end of the 10-day period (from first contact with the positive case at home).

In other Covid-19 related news, I am also sharing with you two documents from the Department for Education and the Department for Health and Social Care. They discuss the vaccination programme for 12-17 year olds and offer some guidance in terms of FAQs.

This is also a good opportunity to remind parents of the need to decide if they wish to give consent for the Covid-19 vaccination and if so, to fill in the form at <https://www.wchcimms.co.uk/> using school code **WC111419**. Please remember that consent must be given 3 days prior to the event which will take place at Malbank on the 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> of November. Thank you for your continued support and understanding regarding the changing picture of local authority response to Covid-19 – as always, if you have any questions, please contact us at [admin@malbank.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:admin@malbank.cheshire.sch.uk).

Yours faithfully,

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