



Plymouth High School for Girls

"For life, not school, we learn"

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you are well.

Thank you for supporting our drive to reduce the spread of the virus.

I am writing to you with a reminder of the protocol as set out by Public Health England.

Students should take a lateral flow test at home twice a week. If the lateral flow test is positive, the student should not attend school and a PCR test should be booked for them ASAP. The student then isolates until the PCR test result comes back, usually 24 hours. If the PCR test result is negative, the student can return to school. If positive, they will need to isolate following the information given to them by the NHS.

If a student has COVID-19 symptoms, they should not attend school and should book a PCR test as soon as possible, even if the lateral flow test shows as negative. Then isolate or not isolate depending on the PCR outcome.

Lateral flow test kits are available from school. Students can ask their tutor for the kits.

It is really important that students take the lateral flow tests at home rather than at school to reduce the need for students to be collected part way through the day.

Many thanks,

Simon Underdown.
Headteacher.