

## Coronavirus Update as at March 2<sup>nd</sup> 2022

Dear Parent/Carers,

At the start of a new half-term, we wanted to remind you that there have been some recent changes to the government's Coronavirus guidance and I would like to share the key points with you.

- Students are no longer obliged to wear face masks around the school, although they may if they wish to.
- All students and staff in Alternative Provision schools have been advised to continue testing at home twice a week, we are continuing to issue lateral flow tests free of charge so please let me know if you need any more.
- Students and adults should continue to book a PCR test if they have any of the main symptoms of Coronavirus.
- It continues to be important that students and adults do not attend school with Coronavirus symptoms, students and adults that do test positive at any time (including on lateral flow tests) continue to be advised to stay at home for at least 5 days, then to continue to follow the guidance until they have received 2 negative results on consecutive days.

Finally, I would like to remind you following our previous letter that the school nursing team will be back in school on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> March to give students either their second dose of the Coronavirus vaccine or their first dose if they have not had it. If you have any further questions regarding Coronavirus, please e-mail me at: [calum.hill@theedgeacademy.co.uk](mailto:calum.hill@theedgeacademy.co.uk).

Yours faithfully,

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