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Dear Parent/Carer

Thank you for your patience this week on what has been a really challenging week for our school community.

I am sure you will have seen the recent news reports on the rising cases in Cumbria, particularly within schools. Some schools are already seeing large numbers of cases and in some circumstances are being instructed to close down bubbles. At this time, our cases remain at very low levels, however, as cases rise within the community, we do anticipate this could change.

The Local Authority and Public Health England have advised anyone aged 12 – 30 to get a PCR test. Thank you to those that have already done this but if you are yet to have a PCR test, please visit one of the following site locations:

- Carlisle RTS, Carlisle Lake District Airport, Irvington, Carlisle, CA6 4NW
- Carlisle Cecil Street LTS, Cecil Street Car Park, Carlisle, CA1 1NX
- Penrith Sandgate Car Park LTS, Penrith Sandgate Car Park, 32 Albert Street, Penrith, CA11 7XA
- West Cumbria Allerdale House LTS, Allerdale House Overflow Car Park, Workington, CA14 9SA
- Barrow-in-Furness Town Hall LTS, Barrow Town Hall Courtyard, Cornwallis Street, Barrow, LA14 2LG
- Copeland Castle Meadows LTS, Castle Meadows Car Park, Whitehaven, CA28 7RG
- Kendal County Hall LTS, Kendal County Hall Car Park, Busher Walk, Kendal, LA9 4RQ

A reminder that even if you have a PCR test, students and staff will still need to complete a twice weekly LFD test using your home test kits. Please liaise with your form tutor if you require new kits.

Please be advised that Public Health have updated their symptoms list for students in schools this week. Therefore, if your child has any of the following symptoms they must self-isolate and request a PCR test:

- New continuous cough
- Fever (high temperature of 37.8°C or above)
- Loss of, or change to, sense of taste and smell
- Fatigue (severe enough to stop you doing your normal activities)
- Headache (more severe or lasting longer than normal)
- Sore throat
- Loss of appetite
- Unusual skin rash

Please continue to report any positive test to our covid email at covid@rrca.org.uk



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For students self-isolating, like you, our concern is the continuation of learning. Our staff have been working hard to update the self-isolation timetables for absent students. These timetables will include some live lessons, recorded lessons, asynchronous resources (eg Seneca) or Teams assignments. This will follow their normal school timetable and the link is on our school website. If you have any questions or access issues, please contact your Head of Learning.

As mentioned in my recent Newsletter we are launching our Arbor app today. I have attached a sign-up guide for parents with a YouTube link so you can see the app in action. The App will automatically go live on Monday morning and you will have quick access to attendance, behaviour and rewards. If you are having any issues with the app, please contact Mr Dyer in the first instance at Nicky.Dyer@rrca.org.uk

As always, thank you for your continued support. Should you have any queries, please let us know and we will be more than happy to help.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in red ink, appearing to be 'Mr Markham', written in a cursive style.

Mr Markham
Principal

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