

Dear parent or carer

Step three: One step closer to a more normal way of life.

The recent unlocking of further restrictions is fantastic news for us all and an incentive to keep doing the right thing.

Whilst some measures have now been lifted, and thankfully, cases in the county remain low, it's important to remember that Covid hasn't gone away.

As we start to mix again, there are likely to be more cases and outbreaks reported. We all have a part to play in following the advice to protect our school community and make sure we keep moving forward.

Measures to keep schools Covid secure remain in place and pupils will stay in bubbles, with staggered start and finish times, where necessary. The only exception is for secondary aged pupils, who are no longer required to wear a face mask whilst in school.

In addition, here is a reminder of what we can all do to prevent catching and spreading Covid:



**Following the rules around hands, face and space** are still the best things we can all do to help stop the virus spreading. This is especially important dropping off and collecting your children from the school gates.



Regular rapid testing, alongside getting vaccinated when invited are also a key part of our journey out of lockdown. There are more than 100 pharmacies across the county who are set up as collection points for FREE rapid COVID-19 tests. From next week, you can also go to a local pharmacy to take a test on site.



If you or anyone you live with test positive from a rapid test or experience symptoms of COVID-19, you and your family should self-isolate immediately and book a PCR Covid test via the Government portal.

For more information visit: www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/testing



If you are eligible, but haven't yet had your COVID-19 vaccination, please get in touch with your GP who can help.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Yours Sincerely

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