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Dear Parent/Carer

We have been informed that there is a rise in reported cases of COVID-19 within the Peterborough area. Our robust health and safety measures have allowed us to effectively respond to cases in the Academy and ensure the school continues to be safe for all other students and staff. We are also working closely with the Department for Education and the Trust to ensure this risk continues to be minimised as much as possible. Following this new information, the Academy has made a decision to ask staff and students to wear face coverings in communal areas in the Academy from Monday 18 October 2021.

In the meantime, we would like to take this opportunity to remind you of the steps that we can all take to reduce the risk of spreading infection. These simple measures are:

- Ensure your child takes a lateral flow test at least twice a week (Sunday and Wednesday)
- Inform the Academy if your child's test is positive and arrange a PCR test
- Keep your child at home until the PCR test result is known
If the result is positive, ensure your child remains at home to isolate
- Wash your hands with soap and water often – do this for at least 20 seconds
- Use hand sanitiser gel if soap and water are not available
- Wash your hands as soon as you get home
- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your sleeve (not your hands) when you cough or sneeze
- Put used tissues in the bin immediately and wash your hands afterwards

In the case of a **'Positive'** test result, please also contact the Academy by phone or email enquiries@stangroundacademy.org immediately.

All test results should also be reported via [the Government online form](#).

Please also be aware the Covid vaccine date has been changed to 17 November 2021.

Many thanks for your continued support of the home testing routine in order to maintain a healthy and safe environment for students and staff in our community.

Yours faithfully

Mr G Carlile
Principal