



## PARENTS/ GUARDIANS OF P6AB PUPILS

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> November, 2021

Dear parents/ guardians,

I am writing to inform you that there has been a positive Covid test from within your child's class bubble reported to me.

You will know that the NI Executive made the decision to transfer responsibility for contact tracing in schools and Covid-testing guidance away from school staff and to the PHA, with a change in advice regarding both testing and self-isolation as well.

Accordingly, I will be sending through the 'Alert' letter provided from the Department of Education to schools in the next text message, but I wanted to try and avoid any confusion by also sending this correspondence to yourselves in advance.

The new guidance means that your children should continue to come to school as normal unless you receive **a direct contact from PHA** confirming that your child is a close contact, at which point they will provide guidance relating to self-isolation and PCR testing.

Of course, if your child is **showing symptoms of Covid-19** at any time they should not be sent to school and should self-isolate and be booked in for a PCR test.

Kind regards,

C Donnelly  
Principal