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Dear Parents and Carers

Important Information for all Children Currently Attending School

I would like to take this opportunity to update you of our process if your child tests positive for COVID-19 following the end of this half term on Friday 28th May:

- Where a pupil tests positive for Coronavirus (COVID-19), having developed symptoms 48 hours after last attending school, (including Saturday 29th May and Sunday 30th May) the school MUST be contacted using the school's dedicated email address: covid@southbersted.co.uk
- If a pupil develops symptoms more than 48 hours since being in school (Monday 31st May onwards), the school should not be contacted. Parents and carers should follow contact tracing instructions provided by NHS Test and Trace.
- You do not need to use the COVID email address if your child has had a test but you are awaiting the result, if another family/household member has taken a test or if the outcome of your child's test is negative. We only need to be notified of positive cases in children attending the school.

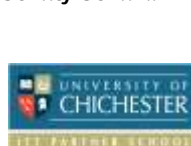
If the school is contacted via the email address, we will contact Public Health England to follow their advice. This will include contacting close contacts and asking them to isolate in-line with Test and Trace.

Lateral Flow Tests:

A reminder that lateral flow testing (LFT) is not recommended by the Government for primary aged children, as per the below link:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/rapid-lateral-flow-testing-for-households-and-bubbles-of-school-pupils-and-staff>

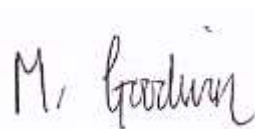
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Lateral Flow Tests are not accurate for children of primary school age and the main PCR tests should be used instead, please see the below link for further information:

<https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test>

Yours sincerely



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