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Dear parents and carers,

You will be aware from the news that the government has introduced the Living with Covid-19 plan, in which restrictions have been lifted. As the government states, it is now known that the risks of severe illness from COVID-19 in most children and most fully vaccinated adults are very low.

Following the guidance issued from the Department for Education in light of the above, we have updated our risk assessment accordingly. However, we will continue to monitor the situation and will gain further advice if cases rise nationally, locally or within school. Therefore, the school's risk assessment continues to be subject to change.

The updated risk assessment is available to read on our school website: https://www.brighstoneprimary.org.uk/covid-19/

In summary, we will continue to maintain a stringent cleaning regime, and will ensure adequate ventilation, alongside the use of CO2 monitors in every classroom. We will also retain the one-way system at drop-off and collection times, as this aids a calmer start and smoother transition in the morning and afternoons.

As per the national guidance, pupils and staff are still advised to stay at home and take a test if they develop symptoms. If the test is positive, they are advised to self-isolate for 5 days until two negative LFD tests are carried out. During the isolation period, if your child is well enough, remote learning will be sent home.

The wearing of face coverings in school, by staff and visitors, continues to be personal choice.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me via the school office.

Best wishes,

Mrs Rebecca Lennon