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Dear Parent/Guardian.

This morning, I have just been notified of a second positive case of COVID-19 associated within our school, in Primary 7B. They were last in school on Friday 17 December.

PHA have assumed responsibility to 'contact trace' from Friday 10 September 2021, with changes in guidelines on how a school close contact is identified:

- Someone who stayed in the same household as an infected person overnight
- Someone who had intimate contact with an infected person overnight
- Someone who was on a school trip overnight with an infected person
- Someone who provided or received personal care from an infected person

As principal, I feel I have a duty of care towards our school community. <u>Under guidance, unless you are notified by PHA, your child should continue to attend school.</u> If, however, there are circumstances within your household/ family and you have concerns that your child has been within a class bubble of a positive case, or if your child is displaying symptoms, you may wish to book a PCR test for your child to help give you peace of mind.

Most recent information from PHA to schools has been that if a child is displaying sickness in the form of tiredness, headache and stomach upset, then we should advise parents to book a PCR test for their child.

Only positive results now need to be forwarded to school.

Your support is very much appreciated.

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Yours sincerely

B Guthrie, Principal