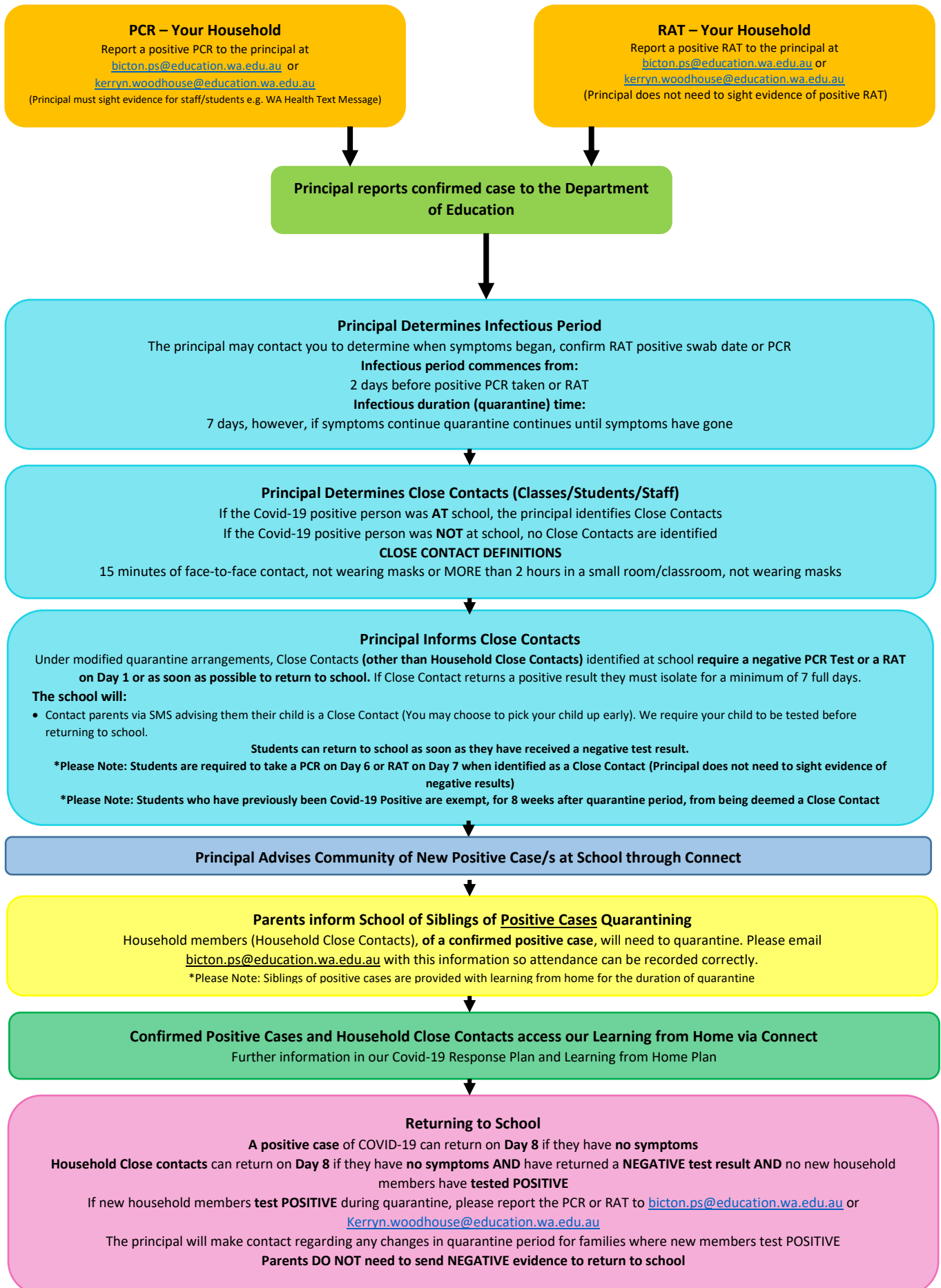


# COVID-19 Positive Case – A Guide for Parents and Carers in Very High Caseload Setting



The below flow chart is the process our school follows when we have a confirmed positive case of Covid-19 at Bicton Primary School, as per the Department of Education Guidelines. Please familiarise yourself with this process so we can all work together to keep our community safe.



## Testing and Isolation Protocols

	Protocol
<b>Staff and students-Confirmed positive case</b>	<p>Isolate for a minimum of 7 full days; if symptoms still present, continue isolating until symptoms clear; or if no symptoms after Day 7, leave isolation.</p> <p>*No exit testing or clearance is required.</p>
<b>Staff and Students-Symptomatic close contact</b>	<p>Quarantine for a full seven days either from the date of symptom onset or date of exposure to case, whichever is later; and</p> <p>Take a PCR test or RAT on Day 1 or as soon as possible</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• if positive – follow confirmed COVID-19 case guideline</li> <li>• if negative PCR, continue to quarantine</li> <li>• if negative RAT, continue to quarantine and take a repeat RAT in 24 hours               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ if RAT positive – follow confirmed COVID-19 case guideline</li> <li>○ if RAT negative – continue to quarantine</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>If at Day 7, no new household members have tested positive – take a RAT again on Day 7</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If positive, follow confirmed COVID-19 case guideline</li> <li>• If negative, leave quarantine after Day 7</li> </ul>
<b>Students – asymptomatic close contacts (other than household close contacts)-</b>	<p><b>Continue attending school, if no symptoms.</b></p> <p>Students who are a close contact, other than a <b>household close contact</b>, can continue to attend school under a modified quarantine arrangement.</p> <p>Take a PCR test or a RAT on Day 1 or as soon as possible:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• if positive – follow confirmed COVID-19 case guideline</li> <li>• if negative return to school. The student is allowed to attend:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- school;</li> <li>- out of school care; and</li> <li>- sporting or cultural training, practice or events organised through the relevant school and held immediately before or after school on the school grounds, travelling between the student's usual place of residence and the place where the activity above takes place.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Otherwise is required to isolate.</li> </ul> <p>Take a PCR test on Day 6 or a RAT on Day 7:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• if positive – follow confirmed positive case guideline. All positive RATs must be reported to WA Health via <a href="http://www.healthywa.wa.gov.au/ratregister">www.healthywa.wa.gov.au/ratregister</a>. Please also notify school principal.</li> <li>• if negative – no further action required.</li> </ul> <p>When students return to school, principals are not required to confirm any evidence of testing and/or a negative test result.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> If symptoms develop, leave school to isolate and take a RAT or PCR test.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If PCR test is negative - isolate until symptoms resolve.</li> <li>• If RAT is negative – take a repeat RAT in 24 hours and continue to isolate until symptoms resolve.</li> </ul> <p>For either of the above, if the test/tests are negative, and are no longer symptomatic, return to school.</p>

**Students - asymptomatic household close contact**

Students and staff that are a close household contact of a confirmed case are unable to attend school. They must quarantine for a full 7 days from the time of the positive case's test; and take a PCR test or a RAT on Day 1 or as soon as possible:

- if RAT positive – follow confirmed COVID-19 case guideline
- if negative PCR or RAT, continue to quarantine

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- if positive – follow confirmed positive case guideline.

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- if negative – and no new household members have tested positive – quarantine ends after Day 7, and monitor for symptoms.

When students return to school, principals are not required to confirm any evidence of testing and/or a negative test result.

If symptoms develop, follow the guidance for a symptomatic close contact.