



22nd March 2021

Important - COVID and Contacting School over Easter break

Dear Parents & carers,

Please find below some important information regarding Covid-19 communications over the Easter holiday.

School will be closed to all pupils during the Easter break from Monday 29th March to Friday 9th April. We will still be on call, however, for contact tracing purposes. In order for us to continue to identify close contacts and advise self-isolation, please book a test as soon as possible if your child develops symptoms of coronavirus and inform school.

Please report all positive cases of coronavirus to us at school, including throughout the Easter holiday (details below). Please do this by emailing covid@dsatparkland.org

- Symptoms that develop between now and the end of term, Friday 26th March, which result in a positive case would result in self-isolation. If there was a positive case during this time, you would be contacted by school - children and staff would be asked to self-isolate for 10 days.
- Symptoms that develop on Saturday 27th or Sunday 28th March which result in a positive case would result in self-isolation based on contact on the 25th or 26th. If there was a positive case during this time, you would be contacted by school - children and staff would be asked to self-isolate for 10 days. Please remember that test results could take a while to be returned.
- Symptoms that develop from Monday 29th March onwards would not impact on children or staff who have been in school.

For contact tracing, we will require the following information to be provided within the email:

1. Date of positive test
2. Date symptoms started and nature of the symptoms

- Where there is a positive test and your child is deemed to be a contact, we will send an email and text message to inform you as soon as possible so that your child can observe the isolation rules.
- Under current UK COVID-19 restrictions, **you must stay at home**. You must not travel, including abroad, unless you have a legally permitted reason to do so. It is illegal to travel abroad for holiday and other leisure purposes. Please see: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/travel-advice-novel-coronavirus>
- Please keep in mind at the beginning of the new term that the 10 day period for self-isolation applies if your child or a member of the household has a positive test, if anyone in the household is going for a test, or if they or anyone in your household has suspected coronavirus symptoms. In such cases please do not send your child to school and please inform school in the usual way.

Please send information about positive cases to covid@dsatparkland.org throughout Easter as it will have implications for pupil absence when we return to school on 12th April 2021.

Pupils will not be expected to continue with school work during the Easter break and work will not be uploaded to Teams or Tapestry. Enjoy the time with your family.

As restriction begin to ease please make sure you only meet others in permitted circumstances and follow the government COVID rules in order to keep our community safe.

Best wishes to you all for a happy holiday.

Yours sincerely



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