



Monday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2022

## COVID-19 Guidance Update

Dear parents and carers

I am writing to give an update on school operations involving COVID-19. As you are aware, on 24<sup>th</sup> February all legal requirements for self-isolating, if you have tested positive for COVID-19, ended however the guidance shared by Public Health England is that you should still isolate for at least five full days and then continue to follow the guidance until you have received two negative test results on consecutive days. Like any infectious disease (for example chicken pox), we insist that anyone who is contagious, isolates so that it does not spread and make others ill. Therefore, we will continue to treat COVID-19 as a contagious disease and ask that you isolate to protect the health of others.

As a school, we have a COVID-19 risk assessment that we continue to use as working document. We will continue to implement the control measures we have in place and follow the guidance that has been given from Public Health England and the Department for Education. These control measures are:

1. Ensure good hygiene for everyone
2. Maintain appropriate cleaning regimes
3. Keep occupied spaces well ventilated
4. Follow public health advice on testing, self-isolation and managing confirmed cases of COVID-19

We will continue to ensure that pupils hand sanitize and regularly wash their hands throughout the school day, continue to put extra cleaning of key touch points throughout the school day and ensure that the school remains well ventilated.

If a child shows COVID-19 symptoms or has a positive test, we will continue to follow the guidance from the NHS and PHE which is to isolate for a minimum of 5 days and until the pupils has had two negative test results on consecutive days.

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/symptoms/main-symptoms/>

We understand that this has been a difficult time for all and want to thank you for your continued understanding and support throughout the pandemic. We want to continue to ensure that we keep all children and adults within the school safe currently.

Kind regards

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Headteacher