



WEEKLY BULLETIN

7th January 2022

Welcome back

We do hope you had a lovely time during the holiday period when school was closed. You will be aware that Covid cases have been increasing at pace, due to the highly infectious variant Omicron. A number of members of staff were ill with the virus along with some of our Pupils & parents and the school transport escorts & drivers. We aim to operate 'business as usual' but we need your support.

CLASS DOJO



Please can you check Dojo for messages before you leave for school. We will only message you early if there are reasons for you not bringing the children to school (such as a class closure).

We would appreciate you ensuring your contact details (phone number and email address) are up to date.

COVID TESTING

Since Wednesday 22 December, the 10 day self-isolation period for people who record a positive PCR test result for COVID-19 has been reduced to 7 days in most circumstances, unless you cannot test for any reason. Individuals may now take Lateral Flow Tests (LFD tests) on day 6 and day 7 of their self-isolation period. Those who receive two negative test results are no longer required to complete 10 full days of self-isolation. The first test must be taken no earlier than day 6 of the self-isolation period and tests must be taken 24 hours apart. This also applies to children under 5, with LFD testing at parental or guardian discretion. If both these test results are negative, and you do not have a high temperature, you may end your self-isolation after the second negative test result and return to your education setting from day 8.

Daily Testing for Close Contacts of COVID-19

People who are fully vaccinated, or children and young people aged between 5 and 18 years and 6 months, identified as a close contact of someone with COVID-19, should take an LFD test every day for seven days and continue to attend their setting as normal, unless they have a positive test result or develop symptoms at any time. Children under 5 are not being advised to take part in daily testing of close contacts. If a child under 5 is a contact of a confirmed case, they are not required to self-isolate and should not start daily testing. If they live in the same household as someone with COVID-19 they should limit their contact with anyone who is at higher risk of severe illness if infected with COVID-19, and arrange to take a PCR test as soon as possible. They can continue to attend an education or childcare setting while waiting for the PCR result. If the test is positive, they should follow the stay at home: guidance for households with possible or confirmed COVID-19 infection

Guidance will be changing as of Tuesday 11th January, we will update you then.



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OUR SCHOOL PLEDGE

- We take pride in ourselves
- We wear full school uniform
- We wear our PE kits for PE lessons.
- We treat each other with respect
- We look after each other
- We are kind to each other
- We are polite and use kind language
- We have good manners and we do not swear
- We make healthy choices
- We do not smoke
- We do not have fizzy or sugary drinks in school
- Chewing gum is not permitted in school.
- We make good choices
- We use our strategies to help us
- We respect the personal space of others
- We hand our mobile phones in on arrival
- We respect our school
- We do not damage anything in school
- We do not damage other people's things
- We take care of our environment



Sadly Mobile phones are becoming a cause for concern within the school.

Can we remind you that in line with our school policy, mobile phones are banned from being used within the school.

Pupils will be asked to hand in their phones when they arrive on-site and are encouraged to hand phones into staff, who will store them safely and return them at the end of the day.

If pupils refuse to hand over their phones Parents/carers will be contacted to collect the phone.

Mobile phones are not allowed for safeguarding reasons

We thank you for your cooperation & support.

MEDICATION & INHALERS

If your child/ward takes medication during the day please ensure a "Medication Administration Consent Form" has been completed and tablets have been returned to the school office.

This includes over-the-counter and prescribed medication for your child/ward.

If you require a consent form for completion please contact Mrs Williamson 0151 652 7093

If your child/ward requires an inhaler please supply one to the school. This information will help us to manage and support your child's asthma while in school.

