

20th April 2022

Dear Parent / Carer,

Welcome back to the summer term, we hope that you had a good Easter holiday and enjoyed the welcome sunshine.

Following the break, we thought we would write to you to provide further guidance and a summary from the Government's most recently updated guidance.

- Testing has ended for all pupils in schools. The only exception is residential SEND schools.
- There will be no public access to free COVID testing.
- From 1 April, updated guidance has advised **people with symptoms of a respiratory infection**, including COVID-19, and a high temperature or who feel unwell, to try stay at home and avoid contact with other people, until they feel well enough to resume normal activities and they no longer have a high temperature.
- Children and young people who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people, where they can. They can return to school, college or childcare when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend.
- It is not recommended that children and young people are tested for COVID-19 unless directed to by a health professional.
- If a child or young person does have a positive COVID-19 test result they should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 3 days after the day they took the test. After 3 days, if they feel well and do not have a high temperature, the risk of passing the infection on to others is much lower.
- If an adult has a positive COVID-19 test result they should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 5 days after the day the test was taken.
- Our schools will continue to take these measures -
 - Ensuring occupied spaces are well-ventilated and able to let fresh air in.
 - Reinforcing good hygiene practices such as hand washing and cleaning.

If you wish to access further information, the following documents are useful:

- [Guidance for people with symptoms of a respiratory infection including COVID-19, or a positive test result for COVID-19](#)
- [Living safely with respiratory infections, including COVID-19](#)
- [Ventilation of indoor spaces to reduce the spread of COVID-19 and other respiratory infections](#)
- [COVID-19 symptoms in adults](#) and [symptoms in children](#)
- [UKHSA guidance](#)

Thank you for continuing to support our schools and community as we enter into the new phase of living with COVID-19.

With kind regards



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