

A PLACE TO LEARN, LOVE & GROW

ROOTED IN LOVE

Blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord, whose confidence is in him.
They will be like a tree planted by the water that sends out its roots by the stream.
It does not fear when heat comes; its leaves are always green.
It has no worries in a year of drought and never fails to bear fruit.

Jeremiah 17: 7 - 8

Tuesday 4th January 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

COVID-19 Update

Happy New Year! I hope that you have enjoyed a good Christmas holiday. We are looking forward to welcoming the children back into school tomorrow, Wednesday 5th January 2022.

As I am sure you will be aware the number of cases of Covid-19 is high in the area and we are in the process of making changes to our risk assessment. There have been a few changes made to Government guidance, although for primary schools much remains the same. Our main aim is to minimise disruption in the education for our children.

Individuals who test positive for COVID-19

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 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 or childcare setting from day 7.

What to do if my child is a close contact of someone with COVID-19

Children who are close contacts of someone with COVID-19 are not required to isolate unless they develop symptoms. However, they are **advised to get a PCR test**, and they are at a higher risk of developing COVID-19 in the days after the contact. **They do not need to isolate while they wait for the result, unless they have symptoms.** From 14 December 2021, adults who are fully vaccinated and all children and young people aged between 5 and 18 years and 6 months identified as a contact of someone with COVID-19 are strongly advised to take a LFD test every day for 7 days and continue to attend their setting as normal, unless they have a positive test result.

Remote Learning

In the event that your child needs to self-isolate we will continue to be providing remote learning on Google Classroom. This will be posted daily by your child's class teacher and should be completed by your child if they are well enough to do so.

Thank you for your continued support. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

Kind regards,

Mrs Marie Mann

Executive Headteacher