

Monday 29th November 2021

COVID UPDATE

Dear Parent/Carer,

COVID-19 has not gone away and with the potential new threat that the *Omicron* variant poses, we must continue to take preventative measures that are **relevant and appropriate**. Guidance for primary schools has not changed, but advice about reviewing school procedures has been given.

Therefore, the following changes to school procedures will be put into place with immediate effect:

Visitors to school (Parents, contractors, agencies)

- All visitors to school will only be encouraged if the visit is **essential**.
- All visitors to school will be encouraged to take a lateral flow test before arrival
- All visitors to school will be encouraged to sanitise their hands and practise social distancing when and where possible.
- Assemblies and performances involving parents and visitors coming into school will require all attendees to wear a face mask and to sanitise their hands. This includes Christmas performances at present.
- Any pupils or staff **showing symptoms** will be asked by school to take a PCR test. They should isolate immediately.
- If a pupil or staff member lives with a person who tests positive, they will be asked to take a PCR test as precaution and must isolate until a negative PCR test has been received.
- If a pupil or staff member is contacted by track and trace, they will be asked to take a PCR test as a precaution and must isolate until a negative PCR test has been received.

It is clear that this is a constantly moving picture and therefore changes to procedures will reflect national and local advice on a daily and weekly basis.

Kind Regards



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