



24th January 2022

Covid Update

Dear Parents and Carers

Further to the newsletter on Friday, we continue to have an increasing number of positive cases of Covid within school. We now have four classes classed at outbreak level and we have 7 members of staff testing positive and currently isolating. We continue to work with Public Health England to monitor and manage the situation. We know many other schools are experiencing the same concerning situation.

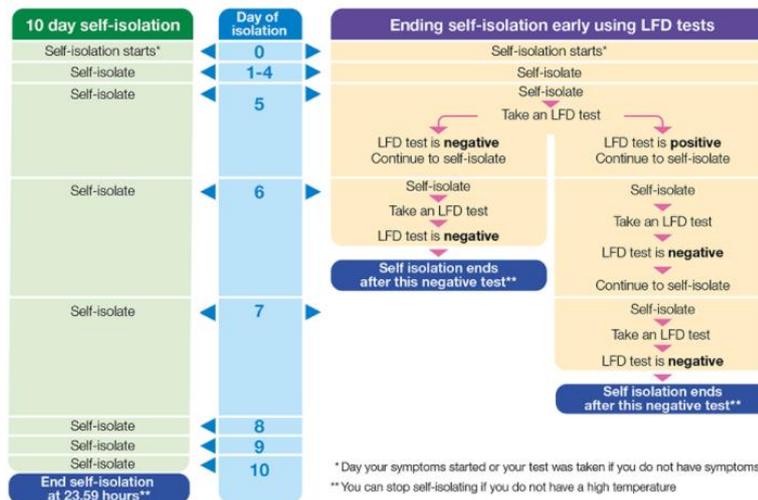
We understand it may be difficult to keep up to date with guidance, but please be assured we are following the most up to date guidance given to us. We have received reports that some parents are sending their children back to school before the correct period of isolation. We really do understand how frustrating the situation is, but it is vital we all follow the guidance given.

Current guidance from:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection>

5.2 Stay at home and self-isolate

Examples of when to end self-isolation if you have had COVID-19 symptoms or have received a positive COVID-19 test result



This means that if, for example, your symptoms started at any time on the 15th of the month (or if you did not have symptoms but your first positive COVID-19 test was taken on the 15th), you may take daily LFD tests from the 20th of the month. If your LFD test results are negative on the 20th and 21st, and you do not have a high temperature, you may end your self-isolation period after the negative test result on the 21st of the month.

We really do understand how difficult this is for everyone, but in school we are managing an incredibly challenging situation. **We cannot accept any children back into school who have not completed 5 full days of self-isolation, with the day of the positive test/displaying symptoms being day 0. 5 full days of self-isolation must take place.**

Also, if your child's class have been sent a 'warn and inform' letter, as advised, please LFD your child for 7 consecutive days.

As things stand, we have no intention of any classes returning to remote learning but this really will be determined by the number of cases we have in school. We really appreciate your support as we navigate the ever-changing situation.

Best wishes

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