



Tuesday, 14 December 2021

Advice to All Parents – Covid 19 Outbreak and Attendance Information

Dear Parents,

This letter is to inform the school community of the current outbreak status in school; please see the table below. Please note, in line with current guidance, we do not report every individual case but do confirm where outbreaks occur. We would ask that families do not contact the school for further information in relation to this unless they are confirming an additional positive test or COVID 19 symptoms as:

- we have contacted all families directly that we believe we need to at this stage
- we are not able to reveal the identity of any cases – directly or indirectly
- it will tie up, already stretched resources, within our medical and administration team

Outbreak Overview

Classes	Guide and Action
3HG	3HG, 4MP, 5ML, 6PO and 6RW are all over the 10% threshold of positive cases in the class and are therefore classed as having an outbreak. You may be aware that guidance has changed from today . The recommendation is for any close contact of a positive case to take a lateral flow device (LFD) test every day for 7 days. There is no requirement to self-isolate during this time, unless a positive result is returned or your child develops COVID symptoms. For primary aged children LFD test kits are available through the usual routes (community test sites, local pharmacies or online). However, we are aware that it has been difficult to get hold of LFD tests – hopefully this will improve to support this new guidance. In the meantime, if you cannot access LFD tests, please be extra vigilant to any COVID symptoms (new persistent cough, high temperature, loss of taste or smell) and ensure children with these symptoms are not in school and seek a PCR test. Otherwise, your child will be welcome in school. If you remain concerned, please see the offer of authorised absence and home learning below.
4MP	
5ML	
6PO	
6RW	

Attendance

We understand the concerns of parents as cases rise. Please be reassured that for most people, COVID-19 will be a mild illness. The school remains open and we encourage you to send your child in if they remain well and have not tested positive. However, if you are concerned about the level of cases, **any decision to keep a child at home this week will be authorised**. Home-learning will be provided – this will be bespoke for one week in the lead up to Christmas, providing a range of activities. Please see the school website – [Learning > Home Learning](#) for more information if you choose this option.

Yours sincerely

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