

Friday 28th May 2021

Dear Parents / Carers,

Thank you once again for all your support over the last few weeks and it seems hard to believe we have a Half term break next week. The children and staff have been working incredibly hard and I really hope the weather will be nice so that every one can get out and enjoy it.

As we have done so previously, we are still expected to follow contact tracing once we finish for Half term. Below is an extract from the DfE guidance regarding contact tracing after school ends and a table showing the arrangements for our school:

- *Where a pupil or staff member tests positive for coronavirus (COVID-19), having developed symptoms more than 48 hours since being in school, the school should not be contacted. Parents and carers should follow contact tracing instructions provided by NHS Test and Trace.*
- *For the first 6 days after teaching ends, if a pupil or staff member tests positive for coronavirus (COVID-19), having developed symptoms within 48 hours of being in school, the school is asked to assist in identifying close contacts and advising self-isolation, as the individual may have been infectious whilst in school.*

Symptoms began on (or date of positive test)	Between Monday 24 th May – Friday 28 th May	Saturday 29 th May	Sunday 30 th May	Monday 31 st May– Sunday 6 th June
Action Required	Parents Inform school immediately. School will notify individuals within respective bubble who may have come into contact. Notified individuals will have to self-isolate for 10 days.	Parents Inform school immediately. School will notify individuals within respective bubble who may have come into contact on Thursday 27 th and Friday 28 th May. Notified individuals will have to self-isolate for 10 days.	Parents Inform school immediately. School will notify individuals within respective bubble who may have come into contact on Friday 28 th May. Notified individuals will have to self-isolate for 10 days.	Parents should not inform school unless testing was delayed following onset of symptoms and case had occurred in school.
We have set up a designated number for parent/carers to contact in the event of a confirmed case between the close of school on Friday 28th May and Thursday 3rd June . The numbers at the end of this letter are to be used exclusively for contact tracing purposes and no other communications.				
Parental Responsibility	Parents to notify close contact family and friends and follow advice as per NHS Covid-19 guidelines http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/			

To ensure these arrangements work effectively and minimise the risk of compromising families' Half term break, please adhere to the following:

- Seek tests via testing centres rather than via postal tests as this can delay confirmation of results. From test centres results are normally forthcoming in 24 hours.
- Notify school if children have symptoms after schools close (using the contact details below).
- when waiting for a test result, remember it is advisable to take necessary steps whilst awaiting confirmation. ensure you continue to adhere to social distancing protocol.

If there is anything you are at all unsure about, please contact the school before the end of this week for clarification.

Contact tracing numbers are as follows:

Saturday 29th -07747 637594

Sunday 30th - 07747 637594

Monday 31st (only if testing delayed following onset of symptoms and case has occurred in school)– 07747 637594

Tuesday 1st June (only if testing delayed following onset of symptoms and case has occurred in school)– 07747 637594

Wednesday 2nd (only if testing delayed following onset of symptoms and case has occurred in school)– 07747 637594.

We hope that everyone has a restful and healthy Half term break and we look forward to getting back to learning on Monday 7th June.

Best wishes



Emma Goodwin
Principal

