



BARLEY LANE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers

COVID-19 Protocols

Further to my letter dated 27th August, I would like to outline the control measures in place and protocols in the event of a positive COVID-19 case in your family, contact with cases or development of symptoms.

Control Measures

The following control measures are in place at Barley Lane Primary School:

- Children, parents, staff and visitors must not enter the school premises if they have tested positive or are experiencing symptoms.
- Our risk assessment has been reviewed and measures remain in place to ensure good hygiene and cleaning arrangements continue.
- In the event of a school outbreak, or the school reaching a trigger point, systems of liaison with the Local Authority Public Health team are in place.
- We will continue to follow the latest Government and LA advice on testing, self-isolation and management of confirmed cases.

COVID-19 Symptoms

- If a pupil has one of the three official COVID-19 symptoms (***a high temperature; a new, continuous cough; a loss or change to sense of smell or taste***), they must remain at home, isolate and parents should arrange for a PCR test asap. If the pupil is at school when they develop the symptoms, parents will be contacted to take them home.
- If a pupil has a symptom other than the above, sometimes associated with COVID-19, (***headache, runny nose, sore throat, sneezing***) they can come to school and we will keep their symptoms under review. If they develop one or more of the three official symptoms they should start isolating and arrange to take a PCR test. If parents are in doubt about whether they have symptoms of COVID-19, they should be advised to consult a clinician or ring 119.
- If another household member has symptoms of COVID-19, pupils can come to school as long as they do not have one of the three official symptoms.

Positive Cases

- If a pupil tests positive for COVID-19 via lateral flow test, they must isolate and take a PCR test as soon as possible. Please inform the school.
- If a pupil tests positive for COVID-19 via PCR test, they must continue to isolate in accordance with NHS guidelines and inform the school immediately.

Contacts

If a pupil has been identified as a contact of a positive case, they can continue to attend school. The pupil / their parents should inform the school so that relevant staff can monitor if the pupil develops symptoms. The pupil should have been advised by NHS Test & Trace to take a PCR test.

Please do not hesitate to contact us, should you have any questions. We look forward to welcoming the children back in the morning!

Yours sincerely,

Michael Henry
Headteacher