



Dear Parents,

Happy new year and welcome back! I hope that you have all had a restful Christmas and some quality family time.

As we return to school with a high number of Covid cases in the community, I thought it worth outlining the measures we have in place in school and the procedures when someone is a close contact, has symptoms or tests positive.

A very detailed risk assessment is in place in school that includes rigorous cleaning, hand hygiene and ventilation. Please ensure that your child washes their hands as they leave home in the morning and send them in a vest as the classrooms may become cool with windows open.

Parents of children who are classed as medically 'vulnerable' or who live in a household with an immunosuppressed adult are encouraged to contact their GP to discuss/arrange vaccination.

If your child has Covid symptoms, please keep them at home and inform school, then arrange for a PCR test.

Keep school informed if your child tests positive on a LFD or PCR test – along with the date of Day 8 of isolation.

If your child is a 'close contact' with a positive Covid case, they must test negative on a LFD test each day before attending school.

If your child tests positive on a LFD test, arrange a PCR test and isolate whilst you await the result.

On school premises, visitors must wear a mask at all times. All staff will wear masks as they move around school but not in their classroom.

Despite all these measures, we aim to make school as warm and welcoming as ever for the children and we will not be operating in 'bubbles'.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

I look forward to seeing you all on Tuesday.

Best wishes.

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