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Dear Parents / Carers

HAPPY NEW YEAR

We would like to wish you and your family a healthy and peaceful 2022 from all of us at Red Rose Primary School. We are looking forward to welcoming all of the children back to school tomorrow - Thursday 6th January 2022

Clarification on the changes to the self-isolation period for individuals who test positive for COVID-19

Since Wednesday 22 December, the 10 day self-isolation period for people who record a positive PCR test result for COVID-19 has been reduced to 7 days in most circumstances, unless you cannot test for any reason.

Individuals may now take LFD tests on day 6 and day 7 of their self-isolation period. Those who receive two negative test results are no longer required to complete 10 full days of self-isolation. The first test must be taken no earlier than day 6 of the self-isolation period and tests must be taken 24 hours apart. This also applies to children under 5, with LFD testing at parental or guardian discretion.

If both these test results are negative, and you do not have a high temperature, you may end your self-isolation after the second negative test result and return to your education or childcare setting from day 7.

Anyone who is unable to take LFD tests will need to complete the full 10 day period of self-isolation.

Further information, including examples of when to end self-isolation if you have had COVID-19 symptoms, is available in the [stay at home: guidance for households with possible or confirmed COVID-19 infection](#).

If your child is unwell please do not send them to school. Lots of children with positive PCR tests are **not showing the classic 3 COVID symptoms** and are often showing cold / flu like symptoms instead. We would recommend that they take a LFD test if you suspect they have been in contact or are showing symptoms of COVID.

LFD Testing advice

We would recommend you have a supply of LFD testing kits at home in the event you are requested to use them. You can order home testing kits to be delivered to your home at:
www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests.

Or you can collect LFD kits at Community Collect sites across the County. To find your nearest collection point please enter your post code here maps.test-and-trace.nhs.uk

If you pick up tests from a pharmacy, you may be asked for a 'collect code' this helps the NHS match your details to the tests. To get a 'collect code' please visit
test-for-coronavirus.service.gov.uk/collect-lateral-flow-kits

Please register the result of your home test at www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result.

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Entry / exit times for January 2022

Start of the school day:

This will continue as per the autumn term. Children should arrive between 8:45 and 8:55am and can enter via the quad or EYFS doors. **We will not be operating a one way system at the start of the school day.**

End of the school day - ONE WAY SYSTEM

We are asking that parents come onto the site **at the end of the school day via the Beverley Garden gate** and collect their child from the main yard. **ALL CHILDREN** will leave the site via the **EYFS doors** with the exception of Y6 who will leave via their classroom door onto the main yard.

This will enable a clear **exit from the school grounds for ALL via York Terrace**. We ask that parents come onto the school yard at their allotted time and not before. Please see the table below for times:

Year group	Time
EYFS	2:55pm
Y1 and Y2	3:05pm
Y3 and Y4	3:15pm
Y5 and Y6	3:20pm

Parents of children in more than one phase should arrive for the later child's time.

Please ensure your child remains with you at all times and does not access the play equipment.

We will not be operating a bubble system upon return unless COVID cases increase. Additional cleaning, handwashing and ventilation are all in place to help minimise the risk of transmission.

Packed Lunches

Can we remind parents that children should not bring any nuts or eggs as part of their packed lunch due to severe allergies in school. Please be careful of products containing nuts e.g. nutella and no cooked eggs should be brought onto site.

Looking forward to welcoming you back tomorrow

Mrs A Brinton
HEADTEACHER

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