

Protocols 2021 **UPDATE 28.02.22** 

Keeping our School Community Safe

## The School will do its best to:

- Provide an environment which has been risk-assessed in response to the COVID -19 infection.
- Provide a curriculum that meets the needs of your child
- Contact parents and carers if your child shows any symptoms.
- Inform you if a member of staff or pupil/s has had a positive test.
- Continue our clear and consistent approach to behaviour as set out in our behaviour policy.
- Communicate between home and school through newsletters, text messages, email and the school website where appropriate.
- Use email communication in place of home-school diaries where possible

# To help my child at school, I know and understand that:

- If my child shows symptoms of COVID-19, I **must not** send my child to school. *Please* see information on self-isolation advice †
- I will inform the school as soon as possible if my child shows any COVID-19 symptoms.
- I will inform the school as soon as possible of any COVID-19 test results of my child.
- If my child shows symptoms of COVID-19 at school, I will be contacted by school staff and I will collect my child from school as soon as is reasonably possible.
- When dropping off and picking up, I will stick to the school timings for my child. I will wear a face covering if I have to enter the buildings.
- My child will need to use good respiratory and hand hygiene. The school will help to support this.
- I need to support all staff in their efforts to create an 'as safe as possible' environment.
- I will read all letters, messages and emails that are sent home.
- I will inform the school immediately of any changes to parent/carer contact details.
- I will keep my child at home if they are ill, even for non- COVID -19 related illnesses.

Book a PCR test for you or your child if you are concerned that either of you might have Covid-19 or have had contact with someone with Covid-19. If you don't meet any of the criteria for seeking a PCR test, please tick the box 'I've been told to get a test by my local council, health protection team or healthcare professional.'

## Our Pupils Promise

- Stay in my class all day.
- If possible, tell an adult if I feel unwell.
- Only enter and exit the school building from the designated gate/door and from my classroom door.
- Wash my hands for 20 seconds and use soap throughout the day.
- Keep myself and my friends' safe at school.

### **Parent/Carer Expectations**

- Pupils should wear school uniform. This should be clean. We will be spending time outside, probably in all weathers so outdoor shoes may be needed on the field as well as an outdoor coat.
- School meals will operate as normal pupils will eat in classrooms. Please send in a snack if your child requires it, as there will be limited supplies on site. Can you please provide a named water bottle.
- School meals will need to be paid for online. Please contact the school if you have difficulty with this.
- Pupils must be dropped off at their allocated doors. They will be collected by school staff. At the end of the day pupils will come out of the same door.
- Parents should try and restrict discussions with staff or other parents at the start or end of the school day. This is to ensure that we limit the number of people congregating on site in order to minimise possible transmission of COVID-19. Please use telephone or email to communicate instead.

#### **Self-isolation**

Despite the legal duty to self-isolate ending, the government advice remains the same, meaning that anyone who has symptoms should seek a PCR test, and anyone who tests positive for Covid-19 should self-isolate for 10 days (with the potential to leave isolation early on day 6 following 2 negative LFD tests). This is the same as before half-term. It is **essential** that we all follow this guidance to ensure that we can keep everyone as safe as possible at school.

## Advice on keeping everyone safe

- **Hands** wash with water and soap or use hand sanitiser regularly.
- Face please try to wear a face covering when in enclosed spaces or large groups of people.
- Space allow as much space and distance between you and others, and try to avoid crowds.
- Fresh air meet friends outdoors or in well-ventilated areas as much as possible will help keep everyone safe

### **Potential Class Closures**

Our intention will always be to keep the school open to all pupils. However, in exceptional circumstances such as the following, we may need to close classes or key stages. The reasons may include:

• Staff shortages meaning we cannot safely staff classes

• To help manage a COVID-19 outbreak within the school

## † Self-Isolation guidance – what to do:

My child is showing at least one of the symptoms shown below or has had a positive Lateral Flow Test result

Your child should self-isolate at home for at least 5 days\* please see updated self-isolation rules below

You should get a PCR test for your child as soon as possible if they have symptoms

If the test is negative then your child can return to school, as long as they are well enough to do so. If it is positive your child should continue the self-isolation as above from when the symptoms started.

The main symptoms of COVID -19 are:

- a high temperature this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- a new, continuous cough this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

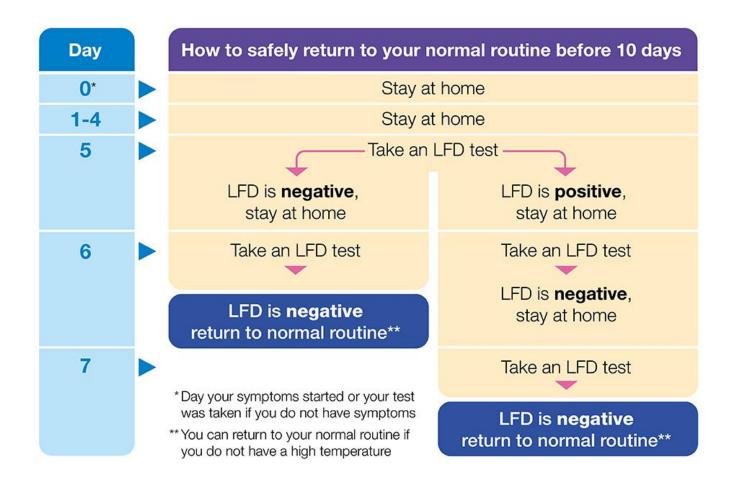
Further information on self-isolation

https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/self-isolation-and-treatment/when-to-self-isolate-and-what-to-do/

You can get a test by going to: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test">https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test</a>

\*LATEST SELF-ISOLATION GUIDANCE You can come out of isolation after 5 full days in most circumstances, unless you cannot test for any reason. Please note that the day that symptoms start or when a positive LFD test was done is **Day 0**. The isolation period always starts the next day, which is **day 1**.

Individuals may now take LFD tests on the morning of day 5 and the morning of day 6 (24 hours apart). Those who receive two negative test results can leave isolation after their second test on Day 6, as long as they do not have a temperature.



Anyone who is unable to take LFD tests should complete the full 10 day period of self-isolation. Further information is available in the <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-people-with-covid-19-and-their-contacts/covid-19-people-with-covid-19-and-their-contacts">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-people-with-covid-19-and-their-contacts</a>

#### Zones are as follows

We have set up zones in order to reduce mixing between classes. Below shows which classes are in which zone.

Zone	Classes/areas
1	Cardiff, Blaise, Conway and Pembroke
2	Balmoral, Skipton, Farnham, Tiverton, Colchester and Dover
3	Windsor, Oxford, Totnes, Chillingham and Pendennis
4	Flint, Dunnotar, Wallingford and Plympton
5	Main Site Reception