



Tuesday 15th September 2020

School Coronavirus Procedure Updates

Dear Parent,

We hope this letter finds all families safe and well. I write to you today with some reminders and updates regarding the school's response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

A reminder to all parents that if children display any of the symptoms related to COVID-19, you must keep them at home and book a COVID-19 test. All other members of the household will need to isolate too – parents, siblings etc. The key symptoms of the virus are:

1. a high temperature
 2. a new persistent dry cough
 3. a loss of taste or smell.
- ✓ Only people who are displaying symptoms need to have the test.
 - ✓ If the test comes back negative, the symptomatic person/child, and the other members of the household, can return to their normal routines.
 - ✓ If a person/child is displaying symptoms and does not have the test, they will need to isolate for 10 days. Every other member of their household will need to isolate for 14 days.
 - ✓ If the test comes back positive, the symptomatic person/child will need to stay at home for 10 days and the other members of the household will need to stay at home for 14 days.

With the guidance about gatherings both indoors and outside having changed from yesterday to allowing just six people to meet, we ask that all parents and carers adhere to all guidance at all times; as a school, we have made every effort to construct a bubble system that will keep our children and staff as safe as possible. Please do everything in your power to maintain this system out of school; be mindful of organising events such as sleepovers and parties, when taking trips to the park and when walking to and from school.

The school is aware, at drop off and pick up times, that groups of parents are gathering in the car park; we are concerned that not all adults are moving on quickly enough and that the path around the school building is becoming crowded. For this reason, we are now asking all adults to wear a face mask/covering when dropping off and collecting your child, if social distancing cannot be maintained, AND to move on quickly once your child has been dropped off or collected; please show consideration for other parents. Please also bear in mind that some adults are exempt from wearing face masks for a range of reasons which may not be apparent.

Thank you for your cooperation in these vital matters and if you have any further questions, please do contact the school.

Thank you,

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