



Guiden Sutton Church of England Primary School

Love and Justice for All

3rd January 2022

Dear Parent,

Happy New Year to you all! I hope Christmas was a time of reflection, relaxing and spending time with friends and family.

I am looking forward to welcoming you all back, bright and early, on Wednesday 5th January, where drop off and pick up will remain the same.

To date, there has been no major changes to guidance for primary schools, but I just wanted to remind you of the following:

- Please keep your child/children at home if they have a positive Lateral Flow Test/Lateral Flow Device (LFT/LFD) result (please wait the full half an hour), if they are waiting for the results of a PCR test, or if they are generally unwell, as there are so many other symptoms of the virus.
- People who are fully vaccinated, or children and young people aged between 5 and 18 years and 6 months, identified as a close contact of someone with COVID-19, should take an LFT/LFD test every day for seven days and continue to attend their setting as normal, unless they have a positive test result or develop symptoms at any time.
- **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.**
You can now take a LFT/LFD on day 6 and day 7 of your self-isolation period. If you receive two consecutive negative results at least 24 hours apart, you can leave self-isolation on the day you get the second negative result. This means you may end your self-isolation after the second negative test result and return to your education setting from day 8.
If you have a high temperature, or have a positive LFT/LFD, you should continue to self-isolate until your full 10 days. This also applies to children under 5.
- Even if someone has tested positive for COVID-19 within the last 90 days, they are strongly encouraged to take part in LFT/LFD testing.

Your child's class teacher will contact you and, depending on how your child/children is feeling, relevant work will be arranged.

Please contact school if you have any questions or concerns to avoid any confusion.

Thank you once again for your support, regular communication and your commitment to reducing the spread of Covid-19 in our community.

Wishing everyone in our school family a happy and safe 2022!

Theresa Rainford

