



'Living with Covid-19' Update

Dear Parents,

Return to School Monday 28th February and Covid-19 update

Covid-19 Update

The operational guidance for schools regarding Covid-19 was updated last week following the announcement by the Prime Minister on Monday. In addition, new UKHSA guidance has been published for people with Covid-19 and their contacts which also applies to 'children and young people who usually attend an education setting'.

For clarity, I wish to confirm the following arrangements apply from Tuesday 1st March 2022:

- The twice weekly recommended testing of staff to pick up asymptomatic cases will continue,
- The school will no longer be supplied by the government with Lateral Flow Tests, but as a staff team we have agreed to continue with this process.
- Children should not come into school if they have any of the main symptoms of Covid-19 (a recent onset of a new continuous cough; a high temperature; or a loss of, or change in, your normal sense of taste or smell) or have had a positive test result.
- Any child (or staff) who develops COVID-19 symptoms, however mild, whilst at school will be sent home.
- In both of the situations above, you should order a PCR test for your child. They are advised to stay at home and avoid contact with other people while you wait for the test result.
- Children with a positive Covid-19 test result should not attend school while they are infectious. The guidance states they should take an LFD test from five days after their symptoms started (or the day their test was taken if they did not have symptoms) followed by another one the next day. If both these tests results are negative, they can return to school, as long as they feel well enough to do so and do not have a temperature.
- Face coverings are not expected to be worn anywhere on the school site - including corridors and other communal areas.
- Daily temperature checks on arrival at the school site will also continue.

For your reference, the full guidance is available here:

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1056212/Schools_COVID-19_operational_guidance_-_February_2022.pdf

Any questions/issues arising should be emailed to head@st-levan.cornwall.sch.uk or secretary@st-levan.cornwall.sch.uk

We are constantly reviewing our health and safety procedures and practices and will communicate any further changes up until the Easter break.

Kind regards,

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