



# Pilgrims' Way Primary School

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Dear Parents, Carers and pupils

I hope you have all had a wonderful Christmas. Happy New Year to you all.

Throughout the Christmas break, I have been following government guidance regarding the Covid Pandemic. As we all return to school on Tuesday 4 January 2022, we will continue to support all our community through our Covid Risk Assessment which is frequently reviewed with each new guidance documentation.

Current guidance for Primary schools is the same as before Christmas.

- Adults will wear masks in shared areas across the school
- High levels of hygiene for all adults and children
- Ventilation in classrooms
- One way system outside the school building
- Appointment must be made through the school office

School attendance is mandatory and is the parents' duty to ensure that their child of compulsory school age attends regularly at the school. Please ensure that you report absence to the school office provide medical evidence for illness related absence as this helps us to code the registers accurately.

If your child is displaying one of the following symptoms you need to keep them off school and take a PCR test.

- 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

The guidance emphasizes that any child or adult who displays symptoms will be sent home and asked to take a PCR test. Please do not send your child into school whilst waiting for the test and/or result and keep school up to date with what is happening so we can code the absence correctly.

To minimize any escalation of infections as we return to school, the guidance suggests there is no need for primary aged children to regularly test unless they have been in contact with someone who has tested positive however you may wish to test your child(ren) before returning to school on Tuesday.

My staff and I are excited to see all the children return on Tuesday and continue to immerse all pupils in their irresistible curriculum.

My warm regards to you all

Miss AM Middleton

Headteacher