

Darnhall Primary School  
Sandyhill Road  
WINSFORD  
Cheshire  
CW7 1JL



Telephone: (01606) 593315

Headteacher: Sarah Tomlinson B.Ed (Hons), N.P.Q.H.  
Deputy Headteacher: Sarah Jardine B.Mus, P.G.C.E, N.P.Q.M.L.  
Assistant Headteacher: Natasha Mulholland B.A Hons

27<sup>th</sup> January 2022

### Advice Letter re. Covid-19

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have been advised by Public Health England that as there have been confirmed cases of COVID-19 within our school, we now need to send some reminders to you.

**The school remains fully open and your child should continue to attend as normal if they remain well.**

**We ask that all parents, carers and staff continue to wear face coverings at drop off and collection.**

#### **CHANGES:**

**Breakfast Club and HomeHub - We ask that you only use these if you have no other childcare option.**

**We have some classes that will have a separate letter as greater restrictions apply to them.**

This letter is to inform you of the current situation and provide advice on how to support your child. Please be reassured that for most people, coronavirus (COVID-19) will be a mild illness.

We encourage household members that are aged 11 and over to continue with twice weekly LFD testing to help identify cases promptly.

**If your child is a close contact, they will have been contacted directly by NHS Test and Trace.**

**A reminder of what to do if your child develops symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) or tests positive for COVID-19**



To support with keeping our community safe, if your child develops symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19), then they should get a PCR test and remain at home at least until the result is known. If the test is negative, the child can end their self-isolation; if positive, the child should isolate according to the guidance below. Symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are:

- a new, continuous cough
- a high temperature
- a loss of, or change in, their normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia).

If your child develops any of these symptoms, then arrangements should be made for them to take a PCR test as soon as possible. Your child should remain at home while awaiting the PCR test result. Please note that we are also sending students home if we believe they have one or more symptoms requiring a PCR test.

Testing for pupils with symptoms can be arranged by calling 119 or via the NHS website: [www.nhs.uk/coronavirus](http://www.nhs.uk/coronavirus)

Please keep us informed of any positive LFD and PCR test results.

If your child tests positive they should:

- Self-isolate for 10 full days from the date of the positive test.  
**The day of the positive test is day 0.**  
**Isolation can be reduced to five full days if they have a negative LFD test on day five and on day six.** If both tests are negative and they do not have a high temperature, they can end their self-isolation after their second negative test.
- If an asymptomatic case develops symptoms within their isolation period, they must restart their isolation from the onset of symptoms and are recommended to have a PCR test.

Anyone with symptoms will be eligible for a PCR test (the normally available test type) and this can be arranged via [Get a free PCR test to check if you have coronavirus \(COVID-19\) - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#) or by calling 119.



## How to stop coronavirus (COVID-19) spreading

There are things you can do to help reduce the risk of you and anyone you live with getting ill with coronavirus (COVID-19):

- get vaccinated – everyone aged 18 and over can [book COVID-19 vaccination appointments](#) now and 16-17 year olds are being offered 1 dose of the vaccination.
- wash your hands with soap and water or use hand sanitiser regularly throughout the day
- cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your sleeve (not your hands) when you cough or sneeze
- put used tissues in the bin immediately and wash your hands afterwards
- meet people outside and avoid crowded areas
- open doors and windows to let in fresh air if meeting people inside
- wear a face covering if aged 11 and over when it's hard to stay away from other people – particularly indoors or in crowded places
- participate in twice weekly LFD testing following national guidelines (recommended for 11 years and over). We encourage you to log your results here: <https://www.gov.uk/log-test-site-covid19-results>

## Further Information

Further information is available at

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>

Yours sincerely

Sarah Tomlinson  
Headteacher on Behalf of Public Health England

