



CHRIST THE SAVIOUR C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

Thank you for your support as we all get used to our new routines for the start of term. It has been a joy to welcome your children back to school and staff have been encouraged by how swiftly all year groups have learnt their new routines and settled back into their learning. Please ask your children what rules and routines they have learnt to 'Be Safe, Be Kind and Be an Active Learner' at school. They have lots of fantastic examples to share!

There are a number of ways you can continue to support the school and we seek your support in the following ways.

Drop off and collection

The Government has recently banned social gatherings of **more than six people**. To reduce congestion outside school we have asked parents to arrive at school within a 15 minute time slot. It is not helpful if parents arrive early for their time slot as this increases the congestion around the school sites and results in the school having to manage complaints from our neighbours, other pedestrians and parents who are understandably anxious about children mixing in different bubbles. If you arrive at school early please remember that your child is your responsibility until they enter the school site and they should remain with you until they are able to find space in the socially distanced line. Children should not be left unsupervised outside school at any time.

Managing pupil absences for Covid-19

A reminder that any child with the following symptoms should not be at school:

- 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

If your child has any of these symptoms they should remain at home for at least 10 days from the date when the symptoms appeared. We are sorry to hear the frustrations of parents who have tried to get tests this week. If you are unable to get a test your child must remain off school for the full 10 days and may return after the 10 days if they are well. If you are emailing school to report an absence please be

clear in your communication and note your child's symptoms so we are able to record this correctly for our daily returns.

Home Learning

If your child is off school because they are unwell, whether this is related to Covid-19 or not, they should be resting and doing what they can to make a full recovery. The school does not provide work for short term illness. If your child is self-isolating - for example a member of the family has covid-19 symptoms and you are awaiting a test result - then the class teacher will provide workbooks for your child to complete at home. Please note this is not the same provision as would be on offer if we have to self-isolate a full class. When individual children are self-isolating provision will be less as class teachers are still working on site and have a full day's teaching to plan, deliver and mark.

How to stop Covid-19 spreading

We ask you to support the school in following the Government advice to reduce the risk to you and anyone you live with becoming ill with Covid-19

Do continue to:

- Wash your hands with soap and water often for at least 20 seconds
- Use hand sanitiser gel, if soap and water are not available
- Wash your hands as soon as you get home
- 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

With best wishes,

Mrs Tramoni