



Covid-19 Updates

We once again continue to have some positive Covid-19 cases across school this week following the Christmas break. We understand that you may find this concerning but please be assured that we are continuing to monitor the situation and are working closely with Public Health.

After conversations over the last term with Public Health and our Health and Safety team I would like to reassure all of our parents that school has all necessary Covid-19 preventative measures in place including:

- More frequent cleaning
- Regular sanitising of children's hands through the day
- Good hygiene procedures
- Regular staff testing
- Co2 monitors in all classrooms which ensure school keeps low levels of Co2
- Good ventilation across school
- The bubbling of children where Covid-19 numbers are higher

If you have any concerns please do not hesitate to contact school.

Before Christmas we reminded all families of our Covid-19 management plan. The plan details three ways of managing Covid-19 in school:

Plan A – School will continue to operate how we are operating now.

Plan B – We will introduce further measures which will depend on government guidance (this may just be bubbling or potentially staggered start times again).

Plan C – Remote learning.

This plan can be found on our website by clicking the link below.

https://www.aughtonchristchurch.lancs.sch.uk/serve_file/4264533

Isolation and Testing

In line with Government guidance, **from January 11th, people testing asymptotically do not need to book a PCR test if they have a positive LFD result.** They can just start their isolation from the day of their positive LFD test.

People who are symptomatic should still book a PCR test.

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.

Isolation periods have now changed as well. Individuals **may now take LFD tests on day 6 and day 7 of their self-isolation period.** Those who receive two negative test results are no longer required to complete 10 full days of self-isolation. The first test must be taken no earlier than day 6 of the self-isolation period and tests must be taken 24 hours apart. This also applies to children under 5, with LFD testing at parental or guardian discretion. If both these test results are negative, and you do not have a high temperature, you may end your self-isolation **after the second negative test result and return to your education or childcare setting from day 7.**

Our school value this half term is: "Perseverance"

'I can do all things through Him who strengthens me'

Psalm 18.2



Good afternoon,

It has been lovely to see everyone in school again after the Christmas break. I hope that everyone has had an enjoyable Christmas holiday, and on behalf of everyone at Aughton Christ Church C of E Primary School would like to wish everyone a very Happy New Year!

I'd like to say a huge thank you to all of our families for supporting a really successful return to school this term. The children have come into school superbly this week showing wonderful attitudes and beaming smiles as we start 2022 and another exciting term in school. It has been lovely spending time with the children at lunch time and hearing all about their wonderful experiences over the Christmas period.

As I highlighted in my message on ClassDojo on Tuesday, we are currently operating a bubble system in school as we assess our return this term. This only impacts whole school events such as worship. These are currently being held virtually.

We will continue to review this measure in line with our local context and any government advice in the coming week.

Wishing everyone a lovely weekend,

Mr D Kennedy
Head teacher

Notices



Wild LYFE is for all ages up at Gorse Hill nature reserve. For this month Wild LYFE, on Sunday 9th of January at 2-3pm, we will be making 'Cress Heads' and having fun thinking about new beginnings this year.

Night LYFE is a night of upbeat worship songs, games, snacks and a talk for those in Years 6 and above. All Year 6's would be most welcome to join us on Sunday evening at 7:15 to 8:30pm for this great evening, led by the youth band at Christ Church.