

2nd January 2022

Dear Parents / Carers

We hope you have had an enjoyable break and look forward to welcoming our pupils back on Tuesday 4th January 2022.

Please can we remind parents / carers of the following procedures:

Pupils with symptoms

When school re-opens on Tuesday 4th January 2022, any pupils with COVID 19 symptoms or a positive test result **must not** return to school and should stay at home and self-isolate immediately.

COVID 19 symptoms are:-

- A new continuous cough
- Temperature above 37.8 degrees
- Loss of smell or change of taste.

Please email COVID 19 test results to the following email address:
covidpositive@moatfarm-jun.sandwell.sch.uk

Parents / carers with symptoms

Please do not visit our school site if you have COVID 19 symptoms. Please book a PCR test and self-isolate until you have gained your test result. Please only visit school site if your result returns as negative.

Isolation rules

People who are fully vaccinated and children aged 18 years and do not need to self-isolate if they are a contact of someone who has tested positive for COVID 19. They should however take daily lateral flow tests and take a PCR test if they develop COVID 19 symptoms.

If someone who lives in your household has received a positive COVID 19 test, the government advises that all other household members take a PCR test to check to see if they also have COVID 19,

as they are at higher risk of being infected even if they do not have symptoms.

In light of rising cases of the new COVID 19 variant (Omicron), we would actively encourage all of our pupils and members of our wider school community to take a lateral flow test at home on Monday 3rd January 2022 before the start of the new term, as a precaution. This will help to keep our school community safe. Lateral flow tests can be obtained online at www.gov.uk or from local chemists and are free of charge.

Thank you for your support.

Moat Farm Junior School