

Monday 13th September 2021

Year 2 COVID Information Letter

Dear **Parents and Carers**,

Thank you for your support in ensuring children have had a smooth return to school. We are working hard to ensure safe school access for all our pupils and staff by following both the Government and the Hackney Education Health and Safety Team guidance.

This morning we have had confirmation of a third positive PCR test in Year 2 since the 6th September. All three cases are following isolation rules. The school strive always to offer transparency in communication and to respond to parent questions in a timely way to support understanding regarding COVID safety rules.

What is the guidance for pupils at primary school?

- Children (those under 18) do not need to isolate due to contact with a positive case of COVID 19 meaning that we do not have to close 'bubbles' if there are a small number of confirmed cases.
- If your child has symptoms of COVID 19 (continuous cough, high temperature or loss of taste / smell), your child should self isolate and you will need to immediately book a PCR test.
- Children who have a confirmed PCR test will need to isolate for the 10 days.

What is the school doing to reduce transmission?

- We continue to ask children to wash their hands at regular points throughout the day and continue to provide hand sanitiser.
- We have an increased cleaning programme across the school to ensure classrooms are thoroughly cleaned each evening.
- We have a risk assessment in place to ensure continued good practise related to hygiene and mindful distance.

How can parents help to reduce the transmission?

- Ensure all those eligible in your family have had both their COVID-19 vaccinations.
- Arranging a test if your child develops symptoms and informing the school of the result as soon as possible.
- Reinforcing with your children how to wash hands, make space and minimise contact.

The Meet the Teacher session for Year 2 will go ahead today in the **Lower Hall at 3.40pm** to ensure maximum ventilation and safe distancing. We are encouraging parents to wear facemasks and for one member of the family to attend.

Kind regards,

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