



Keyworth Primary School

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School Covid update

Dear Parents/Carers,

You will have seen in the news the changes that the government has made to the rules around Covid and the actions that we all need to take during the next few weeks and months. This is because of concerns related to the new Covid variant. With this in mind, schools have been sent new guidelines so please note the following actions that we need to take from today:

- Parents/carers will no longer be able to access the school office in person – all enquiries should be done over the phone or via email;
- If wanting to speak to a member of staff, please contact the school office to arrange a telephone call back. If the communication needs to be done in person, please wear a face covering and maintain a 2-metre social/physical distance;
- We are no longer able to welcome volunteers in to school;
- Children who attend *Breakfast Club* can no longer go through the school office but should instead walk directly through the playground to the hall;
- Parents/carers are strongly encouraged to wear face coverings at drop-offs and collections – *we may have to return to parents/carers not being able to enter the school site should community cases continue to rise*;
- Children will not be expected to wear face coverings in school;
- The school will continue to adhere to previous measures in-line with our risk assessment, including regular handwashing, the 'catch it, bin it, kill it' message, ensuring regular and additional cleaning, as well as good ventilation throughout the school. Please ensure that your child is wearing several layers of clothes to keep them warm when in school;
- Parents/carers should follow the government guidelines when outside of school;

Self-isolation guidance

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/self-isolation-and-treatment/when-to-self-isolate-and-what-to-do/>

Government 'stay at home' guidance

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection>

- If your child is self-isolating but well enough to complete work, they should use *The Oak National Academy* resources:

<https://www.thenational.academy/>

- School attendance is mandatory, meaning children should be in school every day where possible. The school will continue to monitor the attendance of children and any persistent absence from school (below 90%) will be acted upon, in-line with our attendance to school policy;
- We may have to postpone/cancel our end-of-term events at late notice, so I would like to apologise in advance should this be the case.

The new measures that we are implementing may have to be increased in the future, as necessary, and might include the school having to take far stricter action should we face a Covid outbreak e.g. sending some children home and reverting to remote learning. Please note that at this moment in time Keyworth is responding to government guidelines and not to there being multiple Covid cases in the school community.

If you have any questions or queries about any of the above, please contact the school office. Thank you in advance for your continued support of the school.

Kind regards,

Ray Capper

Head of School