



All Saints CE (Aided) Primary School and Nursery

News and Events

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Happy New Year!

I hope that you have had a lovely break and all the children are looking forward to returning to school. As there have been no significant changes to the government guidance, we will continue to follow procedures already established.

To mitigate the risks of Covid this term, our focus will be hand hygiene, ensuring good ventilation throughout school and following social distancing rules as far as possible.

Carbon Dioxide monitors are now positioned in all classrooms to measure the effectiveness of the ventilation. As the monitor detects an increase in Carbon Dioxide, staff can regularly open windows and doors to purge the air. This allows us to keep the working environments at a comfortable temperature so hopefully children will not be sitting in coats as the weather gets colder.

The priority this term is to keep children learning in school. Our aim is for at least 96% attendance.

In line with government guidance, we have reviewed our advice for when someone in a household tests positive for Covid through a Lateral Flow or PCR test. In this case, children from that household can continue to attend school providing they take a daily Lateral Flow test for 7 days which show a negative result and they do not develop any symptoms of Covid.

An additional measure to support attendance is a reduction in the isolation period from 10 days to 7 days. If a child has tested positive for Covid, but is well, they can take a Lateral flow test on day 6 and 24 hours later on day 7. Following two negative results they are allowed to return to school. If tests are taken before school, a child may return on day 7, otherwise it would be day 8.

Please note: Children under 5 years old are exempt from testing.

Please don't send your child if they are showing symptoms of Covid – a high temperature, persistent cough, sore throat, loss of taste or smell. In this case, you must arrange for a PCR test. If the results are positive, you will be contacted by NHS Track and Trace for next steps. Please continue to inform school of your test results.

We all know that it is common for children to catch coughs and colds this time of year. However, if your child develops a new cough, please could you act with caution, keep them at home and arrange for a PCR. In this case, siblings would still be able to attend school until the result is known.

Finally, I would like to invite you to an Academisation meeting through Microsoft Teams on Thursday 20th January at 6.00pm. This is an opportunity to find out about our rationale for joining the Frays Academy Trust and to meet their CEO, Chris Cole. Please contact admin if you would like to attend. It would be helpful if you could send questions you would like addressed, to admin prior to the meeting.

Finally, I would like say how much we are all looking forward to seeing our pupils back in school tomorrow.

Yours sincerely,

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