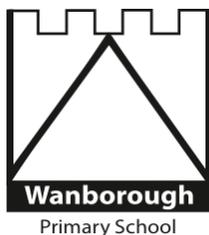


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Dear Parents

Firstly, can I say how well the children are coping with the new normal. School is starting to feel like school again and its lovely to see - they are all doing brilliantly which is a credit to both you and the staff.

As we approach being back for a week, I thought I'd just update you all on a few matters which we are experiencing.

1. Children with colds, runny noses etc. – please use your judgement to judge whether your child is well enough to attend school. If they are showing **any** of the symptoms of COVID-19 (a high temperature, a new continuous cough, a loss or change to sense of smell or taste) they should stay at home and a test should be arranged for them. Siblings should also stay at home until the isolation period finishes (if a positive result it's 10 days isolation for the person showing the symptoms and 14 days for family members) or return to school if the test is negative. The child who tested negative can return to school, even if still coughing or with no taste/smell as long as they are well enough. However, they should not return to school if they still have a high temperature. **Parents must inform us of the date the test has taken place, and the date the results were received and whether it was a positive or a negative result.**
2. Children needing to isolate but who are well will be sent work home through the One Drive system. This format will be similar to last year, however teaching resources and curriculum activities will be in line with what is being taught in school. Children will be expected to complete work and it will be marked/assessed by the teacher. Work will be sent for the following day upon being informed of the need to isolate.
3. With a higher volume of children being absent due to numbers and the time of the year, we are in a situation where multiple children and staff might be requiring tests and awaiting results. We are in liaison with Public Health England South West and will be following their advice at all times. As soon as any positive test result is received we will communicate with parents the necessary steps. As a parent myself of two school children, it's worth having that daily back up plan in place just in case a bubble has to isolate upon PHE SW instruction.
4. Finally, can I encourage parents and children to maintain social distancing at drop offs and collection. Please remain 2m apart from other families or 1 metre plus precautions. A reminder that masks are allowed to be worn by both adults and children for these times of the school day.

Yours sincerely,

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Headteacher

