



## Increased in Transmission Rates

Over the past few weeks there has been significant increase in the local rates of transmission with coronavirus. Around 4 weeks ago the local rate was 18/100000, on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July the rate was 237/100000. As well as the rates locally, we are noting an increased number of parents and pupils catching the virus. At present we have our year 6 pupils isolating, as well as a number of staff.

When school receive notification about a positive case in school, immediate contact is made with the Department for Education helpline. This helpline takes the school through the Public Health England advice about responding to the case. This involves a risk assessment as to how the school should respond.

In all cases the DfE ask when the person had one of the three symptoms of coronavirus: high temperature, new and persistent cough or issues to do with taste and smell. If they did not have those specific symptoms, the DfE will ask for when the person had the PCR test.

Any action on whether to send a class home depends on if the infected person had contact with the class in the 48 hours before they either had one of the three main symptoms or the positive test result date. If they are identified as having contact, on most occasions the whole class is sent home. If the school can state that certain pupils or staff did not have contact, they are not required to isolate.

Any decision to send or not send pupils home, is always taken following the risk assessment from the DfE.

As we approach the end of this term can we ask parents to be extra vigilant regarding social distancing and COVID precautions.

- Please make sure that you maintain a distance of more than 2 metres from others while on school property
- Please wear a face mask while on the school grounds
- If anyone has any of the three COVID symptoms, please book a COVID test. The whole household will have to isolate.
- If anyone in the household tests positive with a lateral flow test, a PCR test must be booked.
- If your child is ill with non COVID related issues, please keep them off school

## 2021 – 2022 PD Days

The PD days for next year will be as follows:

- *Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> September - PD day 1 – First Aid*
- *Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> Sep – PD day 2 – School Development*
- *Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November – PD day 3*
- *Monday 24<sup>th</sup> January – PD day 4*
- *Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May – PD day 5 - Galileo Schools*
- *Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July - extra bank holiday lieu day.*

## Parents Survey

Please can we remind parents to complete the Parent survey on ParentMail. Go onto your ParentMail account and access the survey in the form section.

At present we have 120 completed surveys. The more surveys we have the better idea we have about what we are doing well and what we can do to improve.

## Pupil Reports and parents evenings

We are still aiming for the pupils reports to be handed out on the 9<sup>th</sup> of July. Running alongside this report will be the opportunity for parents to have a parents consultation with teachers. Due to COVID restrictions, this will be a telephone consultation. The consultations will last 10 minutes and will run from Monday to Thursday: 3:30pm to 5:00pm. If you would like to book an appointment. Please contact the school office.

## Transition

As Friday the 9<sup>th</sup> of July will be the last day your child has with their current teacher, Friday will be a non uniform day. On Monday the 12<sup>th</sup> of July, all pupils will move to their new year group. Pupils should go to their normal class on Monday and will be collected by their new teacher.