

Lingfield Primary School Newsletter

Welcome Back

On behalf of everyone at Lingfield, Happy New Year to all our families. We hope you all had a lovely Christmas and we look forward to working with you in 2022.

Today you will have received the curriculum newsletter from your class teacher detailing the learning for the spring term. We do hope that you find this information useful.

Latest Guidance

As you will be aware, there have been a number of changes to the guidance around Covid. The first change that came into place on the 11th January is that you no longer are required to get a PCR test if you have a positive lateral flow test without symptoms. This is now considered a positive and therefore you would need to isolate.

If you or your child has symptoms, it is still required that you get a PCR test.

If you or your child live in a house where there is a confirmed positive case (either lateral flow or PCR) you should be taking a lateral flow test daily for seven days. If it is negative then your child can come into school. If it is positive they would need to isolate.

From Monday 17th January, the guidance around isolation time will be reduced to five days from when someone tests positive either by PCR or LFT. Five days is explained as five full 24 hour periods. On day 5 the positive case will need to do a lateral flow test and then another on the morning of day 6. If both tests are negative then that person is free to come out of isolation. If they don't test negative then they are required to continue isolating until they have 2 negative lateral flow tests 24 hours apart or they reach the ten day isolation point.

If you need any help of guidance with the above, please contact school and we will hopefully be able to talk you through it.

School Measures

School has continued to operate within the 'stepped up' measures we introduced in December. We will keep these measures under review through the monitoring of cases etc and will step back down at the earliest, sensible opportunity. I would like to thank all our parents for supporting school at this time, particularly with the staggered starts and finishes.

PD Days and the Queen's Jubilee

The following dates will be taken as PD Days;

Friday 18th February
Monday 28th February
Monday 6th June
Monday 25th July

As you may be aware, an extra bank holiday has been announced for 3rd June 2022 for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. The Department for Education has stated that due to schools being on half term at the time of the bank holiday, they will be able to close at another time. Therefore, Lingfield will be closed on **Friday 27th May**.

Have a great weekend
Phil Thackstone
Head Teacher