

Hendal Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers

CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

I am writing to inform you of the latest guidance we are following in school due to Covid-19, to continue to keep our children, staff and community as safe as possible.

School Attendance for children and staff

- children and staff should stay at home if they are unwell with a new, continuous cough, a high temperature or a loss or change in sense of smell or taste and should complete a PCR test. If this is negative, they can return to School. If this is positive they will need to self-isolate. If they test negative on day 6 and 7 of their isolation using a Lateral Flow Test, they can return to School. If not, they should complete their 10 day isolation before returning to School.
- if children become unwell at school with a new, continuous cough or a high temperature parents will be contacted and children must be collected as soon as possible. Children will be isolated but supervised during this period of time.

Isolating as a close Contact

Adults and all children and young people aged between 5 and 18 years and 6 months identified as a contact of someone with Covid-19 are strongly advised to take a Lateral Flow Test every day for 7 days but can continue to attend their setting as normal, unless they have a positive test result.

Whole School Events

Class assemblies and whole school events are still postponed until further notice. Myself, school leaders and the governors will continue to monitor Covid-19 rates within the community and resume events as soon as possible.

Educational visits

We are continuing swimming lessons for our Year 5 pupils. The pupils are transported on a private coach with no members of the public and do not interact with any members of the public once they are at the swimming pool. Our Educational Visits will go ahead as planned this half term. Interaction with members of the public is very minimal and the children are transported on a private coach. An additional risk assessment will be in place for these visits which contains additional handwashing measures throughout the day.

Safety measures in school

- School staff will wear face coverings in corridors and shared areas in school
- hand washing and hand sanitising will be carried out during the school day
- Parents are being asked to socially distance on the school site and observe the one-way system by entering school on Humley Road by Gates 3 or 4 and leaving by Gate 5 on Kettlethorpe Road.

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- EYFS and KS1 Start at 8.45am and KS2 start at 8.50am
- All Classes will finish at 3.15pm, Nursery will finish at 3.30pm

As the coronavirus advice is evolving we will respond to any changes from the government immediately. We hope that this communication has provided you with sufficient information to reassure you that we are taking every precaution currently available to us.

Yours sincerely

Mrs K Ashton Headteacher

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