

SHEERHATCH PRIMARY SCHOOL

Update on Covid practices – from 11 January 2022

What should you do if your child is ill?

- Keep your child at home if they are unwell
- Consider a lateral flow test for any cold like symptoms, headaches and body aches
- Book a PCR if they have a temperature, new cough or loss of taste or smell Keep school informed of symptoms and test status

What should you do if your child tests positive?

- The child should stay home and isolate immediately.
- Carry out a lateral flow test on day 6
- If negative carry out a second test 24 hours later
- If both are negative and your child is well with no temperature, they can return to school
- If not, isolation should continue until day 10

What should you do if your child is a close contact of someone who tests positive COVID?

- If the close contact is a member of the household, your child should take daily lateral flow tests for 7 days and consider how you can reduce the chance of spread amongst household members. (If your child is under 5, you should consider a PCR test instead)
- Come into school if test is negative
- If the close contact is not a member of the household, we would suggest you still consider 7 days daily testing. (We may recommend this if there is an outbreak within a year group or groups at school).

Will my child receive school work if they are isolating?

- Remote learning activities will be provided (around 2 hours for KS1 and 3 hours for KS2, EY pupils will be given suggested activities) to be returned to the class teacher regularly
- If your child is unwell, they will not be expected to do school work. Please let us know if this is the case so that we do not need to send work out.

What are we doing in school to keep as safe as possible?

- All staff carry out regular LFD testing (at least twice a week)
- Classrooms are kept well ventilated
- All classrooms have CO2 monitors, allowing us to limit when doors and windows are open.
- We are looking to install CO2 monitors in other areas and use air filtration units
- Adults will wear face coverings when moving around the school and in communal areas.
- Visitors to school will be limited. Those coming in will be asked to take LFD tests before coming.
- We monitor cases on a day to day basis and will implement further measures as necessary in response in conjunction with local Public Health advice.