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Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2021

Dear Parents / Carers

### **Covid-19 update**

Following recent local and national increases in COVID cases and the emergence of the Omicron variant, I thought it prudent to provide some additional information to you.

I hope this information is useful and informative.

#### **Current Case Rates**

CWAC's 7-day rate of 503 per 100,000 is higher than the England average of 440 per 100,000. CWAC ranks in the 2<sup>nd</sup> quartile, the top 25-50% of local authorities for covid cases currently.

Cheshire West and Chester has the highest 7-day rate in Cheshire and Merseyside.

Covid cases in primary and secondary aged pupils are higher than the rates above, 10-19 years olds currently recording a rate of 1,182 per 100,000.



#### **Face Coverings**



Face coverings are once again being used by staff within the school building in communal areas. There is no expectation for our children to wear them.

Please be mindful that a face covering will be required to enter the building unless you are exempt.

#### **Staff Testing**



The school staff continue to test twice a week using the LFD tests.

#### **Contact Testing and Isolation (Omicron)**

All individuals who have been identified as a close contact of a suspected or confirmed case of the Omicron variant, irrespective of their vaccination status and age, will be contacted directly and required to self-isolate immediately and asked to book a PCR.



Contacts will be informed by the local health protection team or NHS Test and Trace if they fall into this category and provided details about self-isolation.



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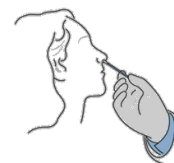


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## Household contact guidance

Where someone has tested positive in a household, any children in that household who attend school should:

- Take a PCR test (ideally on Day 3-5 after first exposure) **and**
- Take a daily LFD test for 7 consecutive days from the date of the first exposure
- Continue to attend school **provided the PCR and LFD are negative.**
- Self-isolate for **10 full days from the date of the test if any of the test results are positive.**
- In the event of a **positive LFD a confirmatory PCR should be obtained.**



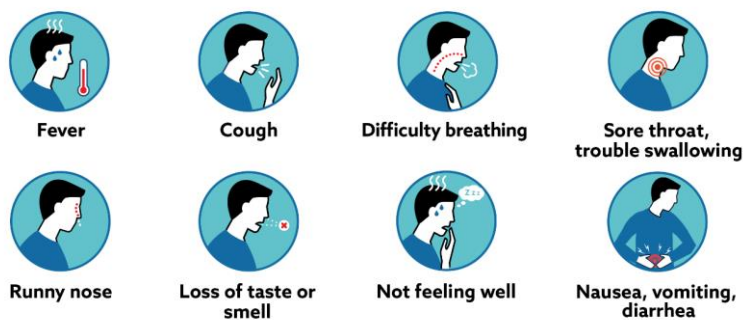
## Symptoms

Whilst the three main symptoms remain:

- A temperature
- A new continuous cough
- A change to the sense of smell or taste

We have seen increasing numbers of younger children with other symptoms. We would ask parents to be mindful of this.

## COVID-19 SYMPTOMS



Thank you for your continued support during the last few weeks of the term.

Kind regards,

*Mr Mitchell*

