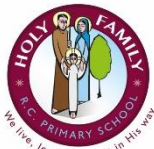


Holy Family News



Dear Parents and Carers of children who are in Year 6,
I hope you are all safe and well, and enjoying the break from online learning. Thank goodness for the lovely weather!
As we prepare for the return of our Year 6 children there is some information that you must consider before you make the decision. Below I have summarised the Government Guidance in a flow chart and included the links for further information for you. Please take the time to read the information below so you can make the right decision for your child and family. If you are unsure in any way please contact the school and we will be happy to help. If you choose not send your child back to school you will **not** be fined during this period. **At the end of the letter there is a form for you to complete which will help us to prepare for the return of your child.** **Please can all parents complete the form in the yellow box.** The staff and I are really looking forward to seeing the children again.
Stay safe and take care. Mrs. Booth

What is the government guidance about?

The government has released guidance about what is safe for your child regarding health conditions. They have stated that there are 2 categories:

- **Clinically extremely vulnerable**
- **Clinically vulnerable**

Below are the definitions. For the government guidance please [click here](#)

1. **Clinically extremely vulnerable:**

This includes children or a person they live with:

- have had a solid organ transplant – kidney, liver, pancreas, heart, or lung
- are having treatments for some cancers
- have severe long-term lung disease including cystic fibrosis and severe asthma
- have rare diseases that increase their risk of infection
- are on medication that compromises their immune system and so are much more likely to get infections and become seriously unwell from them
- are pregnant with significant heart disease

NOTE: if your child is living with someone who is clinically extremely vulnerable you should speak to your doctor to seek advice.

If YES go to
box 3.

3. Advice for these children is that they should **stay at home and shield** as they or the adult are at risk of becoming poorly should they catch the virus.

If NO
go to
box 2.



2. **Clinically vulnerable:**

This includes children or a person they live with

- chronic (long-term) mild to moderate respiratory diseases, **such as asthma**, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), emphysema or bronchitis
- chronic heart disease, such as heart failure
- chronic kidney disease
- chronic liver disease, such as hepatitis
- chronic neurological conditions, such as Parkinson's disease, motor neurone disease, multiple sclerosis (MS), or cerebral palsy
- diabetes
- a weakened immune system as the result of certain conditions, treatments like chemotherapy, or medicines such as steroid tablets
- being seriously overweight (a body mass index (BMI) of 40 or above)
- pregnant women

If YES go to
box 4.

4. Your child will have to take extra precautions. **School will complete a risk assessment with you for your child.**

If NO go to
box 5.

5. Your child is deemed to be safe to return to school.

All parents must now complete the form. [Click here.](#)