

Holy Family News

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year! I hope that you have all had a very happy and peaceful Christmas. As I am sure you will be aware, the new variant of Covid, Omicron, is causing much disruption at the minute and cases are extremely high. Oldham has seen a large increase in the number of people testing positive. As stated by the Local Authority in the letter sent to parents on New Years Eve, schools will be doing everything possible to minimise disruption to your children's learning. School will be open on Wednesday 5th January. It is extremely important that we work together to reduce any possible transmission of the Omicron variant, especially given the fact that it is much more transmissible than the previous strains of Covid. We have revised the Covid Risk Assessment which can be found [here](#), to try to reduce the risk for our whole school community. Please take the time to carefully read the information below to see how you can support the school in minimising the spread of Covid19 and disruption to your child's learning.

We are all really looking forward to having the children back in school. They have some fantastic topics this term which I know they will enjoy!

Mrs Booth

How you can help to reduce the spread of Covid19

Regular testing using LFD.

It would be beneficial if all children could complete a LFD Covid Test before returning to school. Ideally, you should do this test in the morning before leaving the house or, if this is not possible, the evening is acceptable. This is voluntary and your choice and we hope that you will take part. Children under 5 do not need to be tested.

Symptoms

The most important symptoms of COVID-19 are recent onset of any of the following:

- a new continuous cough
- a high temperature
- a loss of, or change in, your normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

For most people, COVID-19 will be a mild illness. However, if you have any of the symptoms above, **even if your symptoms are mild, stay at home and [arrange to have a test](#).**

Masks Please wear a mask on school grounds (unless exempt) and ensure that you socially distance. Asymptomatic cases can still spread Covid without knowing.

If you are struggling in anyway please contact school. We are here to help and will support you in anyway we can.

Asthma/medicines:

If your child has an inhaler or requires regular medicine under a health care plan, please can you ensure that it is brought to the school office on Wednesday and that the medication is in date.

School Uniform

Please ensure that your child is in full school uniform. PE uniform must be worn on PE days.

The PE Uniform is:

Sky blue PE T-shirt

Burgundy PE Shorts

School jumper (no hoodies or football kits please)

Dark grey or black jogging pants.

Thank you for your support with this.

If anyone is struggling with the PE Kit, please contact school and we will do our best to support you. Getting the children into the habit and expectation of adhering to the school uniform helps them when they transition to secondary school.

Find out what your child is learning this term:

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