



Learning and Growing with God by Our Side
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COVID 19 UPDATE

Dear Parents

We are having a number of queries regarding COVID 19 self-isolation guidelines. Please can I refer you to the letter uploaded to our website on 3rd September. This letter explains the new guidance that schools are following, as set out by Welsh Government. As expected, we are seeing some confirmed COVID 19 cases in school.

Initially it was expected that TTP would be in direct contact with parents should their child be identified as a close contact of a positive case within the school. However, given the rise in cases, the school will now inform you directly if there is a positive case within a class. I will do this via our School Texting Service, just to keep you informed. If you receive one of these texts, it does not mean that your child has to isolate, neither does it mean that we will be closing that year group.

If there is a pattern of cases, TTP will ask us to send a 'Warn and Inform' letter out, which you will receive via email. This will inform you of the next steps to follow. I will reiterate that at present, the Government are saying children under the age of 18 and adults who are double vaccinated, do not have to isolate. If your child does test positive for COVID 19, please inform the school immediately and you will then be contacted by TTP, who will be able to advise you further, should you have any questions or concerns.

If your child has one of the following symptoms, your child must isolate immediately and you must arrange a PCR test:

- New, continuous cough
- Fever or high temperature
- Loss of or change in sense of smell or taste

We are noticing that children are sometimes presenting with wider symptoms and should you require further advice on this, please contact 119.

If your child is self-isolating at home and well enough to enjoy some school activities, 'Self-isolation Activity Grids' have been uploaded to our School Website.

We understand that this is a worrying time for parents, but want to reassure you that we are taking advice from our Local Authority and Public Health Wales. This advice is being updated as the situation changes and we will keep you informed along the way.

Many thanks for your co-operation.

Mrs N Booth
Headteacher