

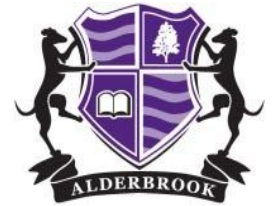
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Dear Parents/Carers

1st April 2022

Changes to measures and guidance for managing Covid-19 in schools from Friday 1 April

Please find below a summary of the key changes following the government announcement this week and effective from today:

- Free testing offer ends on Friday 1 April except for specific groups including eligible patients and NHS staff
- Children and young people who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people. They can go back to school, college or childcare when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend
- Adults with the symptoms of a respiratory infection, and who have a high temperature or feel unwell, should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people until they feel well enough to resume normal activities and they no longer have a high temperature
- If adults or children do take a test for COVID-19 and the result is positive, the guidance is as follows: Adults with a positive COVID-19 test result should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 5 days, which is when they are most infectious. For children and young people aged 18 and under, the advice is **3 days**
- Regular asymptomatic testing is no longer recommended in any education or childcare setting, including in SEND. This means that students and staff in the ARC are no longer required to test twice weekly.

We ask you all to be mindful that whilst the country as a whole moves out of Covid-19 restrictions, that we continue to all follow these latest recommendations and if your child is unwell please keep them at home until they no longer have a temperature. So that we can continue to monitor Covid rates in school, if your child does test positive for Covid, please continue to inform the school via covidpositive@alderbrook.solihull.sch.uk

Student Absences

A reminder please that if your child has a pre-planned absence from school, appointment etc, you need to email 201office@alderbrook.solihull.sch.uk in advance of the appointment, with the details and **also include a note in your child's planner**. If your child has to leave a lesson early this notifies the teacher of the appointment and helps to ensure they are on time for you. Your child should always sign in or out as appropriate at Pupil Reception.

If your child is sick please call the main school number and leave a message on x 7213 for our Attendance Administrator, or use the Contact button on the school website home page where you will find an absence contact form. Please let the school know as early as possible and also for every day that your child is sick.

Last day of term – Friday 8 April 2022

We will be finishing the school day at the usual time of 2.55 pm next Friday and I will be writing out to you again with an end of term newsletter which I hope you will all enjoy reading and which celebrates the ambition, bravery and kindness of our student body.

Best wishes

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tom Beveridge', with a stylized flourish underneath.

Tom Beveridge
Headteacher