



# BARLEY LANE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parent and Carers

## COVID-19 Symptoms and reporting absences

Please be reminded of the following;

### COVID-19 Symptoms

- If a pupil has one of the three official COVID-19 symptoms (**a high temperature; a new continuous cough; a loss or change to sense of smell or taste**), they must remain at home, isolate and parents should arrange a PCR test asap. If the pupil is at school when they develop the symptoms, parents will be contacted to take them home.
- If a pupil has a symptom other than the above, sometimes associated with COVID-19, (**headache, runny nose, sore throat, sneezing**) they can come into school and we will keep their symptoms under review. If they develop one or more of the three official symptoms they should start isolating and arrange to take a PCR test. If parents are in doubt about whether they have symptoms of COVID-19, they should consult a clinician or ring 119.
- If another household member has symptoms of COVID-19, pupils can come into school as long as they do not have one of the three official symptoms.

### Positive Cases

- If a pupil tests positive for COVID-19 via lateral flow test, they must isolate and take a PCR test as soon as possible. **The school must be notified**
- If a pupil tests positive for COVID-19 via PCR test, they must continue to isolate in accordance with NHS guidelines and inform the school immediately.

It is important that you report your child's absence from school before 9.30am on the first day of absence.

- State child's full name and class
- Detailed account of their symptoms (please do not state ill or unwell)
- If your child has a negative lateral flow test please inform us of this.

Yours sincerely

Mr M Henry  
Headteacher

