



## Important information about reporting positive COVID -19 tests over the May half term holiday

Dear Parent/Carers

I am hoping that we all have a healthy May half term. However, for the health of us all, I would like to set out actions that would need to be taken should there be a positive case of COVID-19 in our school community during the holidays.

1. If your child develops symptoms on 29th or 30th May 2021 and consequently tests positive for COVID-19, you must inform the school immediately when you receive the test results. You will need to email the school office by 1<sup>st</sup> Jun 2021.

If your child develops symptoms you must book a PCR test for them, Lateral Flow Tests are not appropriate to be used on Primary School children. Email us at:

[office@twickenhamprimaryacademy.org](mailto:office@twickenhamprimaryacademy.org)

1. Name of child
2. Your name and relationship to child
3. The class your child is in
4. Date symptoms started
5. Date of positive test results
6. Close contacts of the child who tested positive outside of school and 48 hours before symptoms (if they are children at our school)
7. If you have informed TEST and TRACE of those close contacts.

Close contact is anyone who has been closer than 1m (to the positive case) for more than 1 minute and more than 1m but less than 2m to the positive case for more than 15 minutes – this is not necessarily at one time – but total time added together)

We will then get in touch with the DFE/PHE to determine who needs to be informed (if anyone) and be told to self-isolate for 10 days. The self-isolation is only required by the contact (your child) unless they go on to develop symptoms and then the whole house will need to self-isolate. You will be informed by email. It is important that the guidance given in the email is followed to protect others.



2. If your child develops symptoms on Monday 31st May 2021 onwards you must still get a PCR test but you do not need to inform school of a positive result until Monday 7th June to let us know how much longer the period of isolation will be.

3. If your child tests positive over the May half term they will not be able to return until at least the 10th day following the first symptoms, or until they feel better. The rest of the household must self-isolate for 10 days following the date of the first symptoms. Remote learning will then be provided from the 7th June. If your child develops symptoms and/or tests positive DO NOT send them to school and YOU MUST follow all current Government rules about self-isolation. Many thanks in advance for your continued support in helping to keep our school community safe.

John Smith

**Principal**

