

Covid-19 & Absence

Dear Parents/Carers,

As I'm sure you will be aware, the Government has set out next steps for living with COVID-19, which took effect from **Friday 1st April 2022**

Free testing for the general public has now ended and guidance for schools has been updated. The new guidance is set out below:

- 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 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 will be 3 days. Further information can be found [here](#). If your child is unwell and you are unsure if they should be at school, please phone the school office.

Further information can also be found on the NHS website.

Please ensure you report all absences from school via the school office on telephone number - 01434 673220

If your child is absent from school, please call the school office by 8.55am.

Any children who are absent from school where the school has not been informed, will be contacted by telephone before 9.30am.

Your child's welfare and education are of the upmost importance to us. There is a strong correlation between good attendance and attainment and we believe that regular school attendance is crucial to allowing children to maximise the educational opportunities available to them.

Kind regards,

Angela Hayward
Headteacher