



Covid in School

As you are probably aware, we currently have 4 bubbles closed with positive cases of coronavirus. Although it seems like the national vaccination programme is going well and we are looking forward to restrictions gradually easing, we need to continue to be as vigilant as ever to stop the spread.

If you or your child has any of the main symptoms of Covid-19 which are

- **A high temperature**
- **A new cough**
- **A loss or change to your sense of taste or smell**

You must book a PCR Covid test using this website: <https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test> or phoning 119. **If you have any of these symptoms you should NOT take a home LFD test.**

LFD Testing at home

Anyone in the household or support bubble of a school age child is eligible to join the twice weekly at home LFD testing programme. Staff are using these tests and they are simple and quick to administer.

Details are available here: [https://www.gov.uk/guidance/rapid-lateral-flow-testing-for-households-and-bubbles-of-school-pupils-and-staff?](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/rapid-lateral-flow-testing-for-households-and-bubbles-of-school-pupils-and-staff?fbclid=IwAR3lOKYW0W5zkBK3nid50Sm4fQIEhJtopcIYAXieZc29wa8psT2OTR4q6c)

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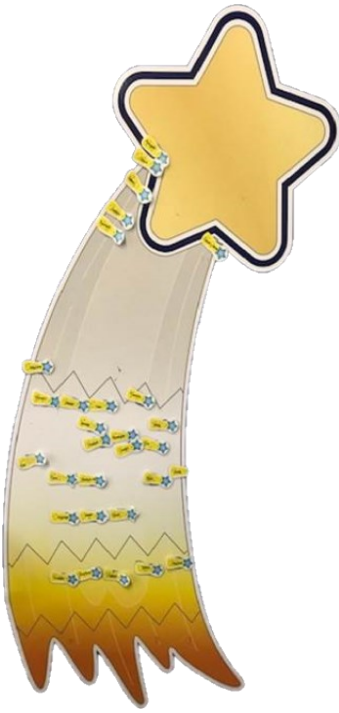
These tests are NOT to be used if you or your child has any of the three listed symptoms. If you have symptoms you must book a PCR test.

Test and Trace Support Payment Scheme

If your child is isolating at home due to contact with Covid in school, and this means you cannot work; you may be eligible for a government support payment. Details are available below. The school office can provide your child's unique self-isolation number on request.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/test-and-trace-support-payment-scheme-claiming-financial-support/claiming-financial-support-under-the-test-and-trace-support-payment-scheme>

Behaviour Consultation



We are currently reviewing our approach to managing behaviour in school: Our current shooting star zone board and school rule rap was first introduced over 15 years ago. We know that thinking around the best ways to manage behaviour has moved on since then and want to make sure our behaviour management policy reflects this thinking.

We want to be able to keep the parts of our system that work, and adjust the aspects that are no longer fit for purpose. We are seeking the views of our families to help us create a system that works well for everyone.

Your child should have brought home a questionnaire about behaviour—we would really appreciate if these could be returned to school as soon as possible. This can be dropped anonymously into the office or completed online using the link below if you would prefer.

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=hK6Sjwgw_kWNfZnF5eaf1c8sCz295AJGiBNXrIqCkxpUQUZYUzBLS0o5S1JYREJHQjVCR0RGSTJQMS4u

Thank you for everyone who took part in Red Nose Day last week.

The children looked amazing in their superhero costumes and we raised £285.70 for Comic Relief!

Thank you for your generous donations!



Things from Home

Please can you remind your children that they should **not** be bringing **toys from home** into school. These often cause arguments or upset and are an unnecessary distraction.

If your child needs a special transitional object to support their emotional needs, this should be agreed in advance with their class teacher or SENCO, Mrs McFall.

Can we also ask that parents consider the size of children's bags. Our cloakroom spaces are not huge and **large bags** often cause your child and their friend's coats to fall onto the floor. This presents a risk as well as potentially getting their coat dirty! It is a particular issue in Key stage One where the cloakrooms are in the corridors.

Easter Service

We would love you to join us on Teams on **Thursday 1st April at 9.10am** for our Easter Service led by Canon Janet. This will be on the Worship channel.

The Year Two children have prepared an Easter dance with dance coach Becky; and we will be having prayers and readings from the other classes in school too.

The **PTA** have donated a **Cadbury Crème Egg** for each child to bring home which will be blessed by Canon Janet at the service.



You can support the PTA by buying a ticket for the Easter Egg Raffle—details below

 St Laurence Church Infant School PTA

EASTER EGG RAFFLE

£1 a ticket

Tickets to be purchased by Friday 26th March.
Payments by BACS, please state your child's full name and class as the reference.
Cash payments will be taken in the playground at drop off and pick up on Tuesday 23rd and Friday 26th