

Letter to Reception parents

Dear Parents and Carers,

Unfortunately, we have had notification of a positive COVID-19 test within Reception. I am informing you that I have consulted with Public Health England to ensure that we are taking the right actions to keep our school family in good health.

They have advised that **ALL** children and staff should self-isolate for 14 days. This means we look forward to welcoming your children back on **Thursday 26th of November**. The advice from Public Health England is that children will need to be tested if they develop any of the symptoms as listed on the DfE and NHS websites:

- **a high temperature** – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- **a new, continuous cough** – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- **a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste** – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal.

School Lunches:

If your child is entitled to a free school lunch, **please collect these from the Trinity Road entrance at 11:30am each day.**

Home Learning:

In the first instance you will be able to collect a paper pack to support your child with learning at home. Please collect any paper packs that you require from **3pm today, 16.11.20, by the school office**

We are aiming for remote learning to be available from 17.11.20. You will receive the information you need to access remote learning when it is set up for your children.

Staff and leaders across school are working tirelessly to ensure that we are following all of the guidance being issued. I appreciate that this is a very worrying and challenging time for the whole Birchfield family and thank you for your support.

Best wishes,



Mrs Thewlis