

### Letter to Year 5 parents

Dear Parents and Carers,

Unfortunately, we have had notification of a positive COVID-19 test within Year 5. I am informing you that I have consulted with Public Health England who have advised that **ALL** children should self-isolate for a period of 14 days from the date of contact. This means that the self-isolation period for Year 5 pupils will end on Friday 18 December.

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 at 11:30am each day from the school office.**

### **Home Learning:**

All children have been provided with logins for Microsoft Teams. Remote learning will begin on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> December

Paper packs will also be available from Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> December. Please collect from 3pm each day by the school office.

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