



# The Cedars Primary School

## Newsletter

Friday 16th July 2021

### Changes to Covid-19 Tracing from Monday 19th July

The Government announced that England would move into 'Step 4' from Monday 19th July. Among the changes to Covid-19 legislation were the relaxation of some measures, for instance the wearing of masks, and changes to track and trace procedures for schools. At The Cedars we have worked hard to keep your children and all staff safe through what has been a challenging year. With one week to go I would like to inform you of the procedures to take if your child or a member of your household tests positive or shows symptoms of Covid-19.

**If your child or a member of your household has symptoms of Covid-19 (continuous cough, high temperature, loss of taste and/or smell)**

Your child and household need to self-isolate and take a PCR test. If the test is positive then the child and members of the household must isolate from the date that the test was taken.

**If your child or a member of your household has a positive PCR test**

Your child and household need to self-isolate from the date that the test was taken.

**If your child or a member of your household has a positive lateral flow test**

If your child has a positive result from a lateral flow device (LFD) test after 19 July they and other members of your household should self-isolate. You should notify the school that they will not be attending on the basis of the LFD test result. You should order and then take an immediate confirmatory PCR test.

If the confirmatory test is taken within two days and the result is negative, your child and other members of your household can stop self-isolating (unless they have developed symptoms or been instructed to self-isolate by Test and Trace for other reasons). You should then inform the school and your child can return to face to face learning.

If the confirmatory PCR test is positive (or is taken more than two days after the LFD), your child and other members of their household must self-isolate until 10 days after the date of the LFD test (or the date their symptoms began, if they were symptomatic). You should inform the setting that your child has had a positive PCR test result and will not be attending the setting for the period of their isolation.

**We require parents/carers to send in a photo or scan of a negative test so that we can continue to keep all children and staff safe.**

### End of Term Dates

In September the school day will continue to be 9.00am to 3.00pm.

Below are some important dates for the end of term:

Wednesday 21st July—Leavers Assembly, Year 6 children only, 1.30pm on the front lawn

Thursday 22nd July—Leavers BBQ, Year 6 children only (no parents or carers)

Friday 23rd July—Last day of term (children leave school at 1.00pm)

Monday 6th September—First day of Autumn Term 2021 for children