

5th January 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

COVID-19 Update

Dear parent/carer,

As we start the Spring term, the government has announced new guidance in England to help reduce the transmission of the Omicron variant of COVID-19.

The new changes that affect **primary** schools are:

Self-isolation period reduced to seven days

Staff or children who have tested positive for COVID-19 may be able to end their isolation period after 7 days instead of 10 if they test negative on two consecutive tests, taken from day 6 of their isolation period onwards. We will contact you with more information if you inform us that your child has tested positive for COVID-19.

Close contacts and daily testing

If your child is identified as a close contact of someone with COVID-19, they should take a rapid lateral flow test every day for seven days, or until ten days since their last contact with the person who tested positive for COVID-19 if this is earlier.

Children under the age of five should not do a daily test or self-isolate and should continue their on-site learning unless they receive a positive PCR test result or being to display symptoms.

COVID-19 Vaccine

The government is encouraging everyone aged 12 and over to get a 1st and 2nd dose of the COVID-19 vaccine, to offer them the best protection against COVID-19. More information on the importance of getting a vaccine or a booster is available on the [NHS website](https://www.nhs.uk).

For most people, COVID-19 will be a mild illness.

If you are concerned about your child's symptoms, or they are worsening, you can seek advice from NHS 111 at <https://111.nhs.uk/> or by phoning 111.

If you have COVID-19 symptoms or have received a positive COVID-19 test result



If you develop symptoms of COVID-19, stay at home and self-isolate **immediately**. If you have a positive test result but do not have [symptoms](#), stay at home and self-isolate as soon as you receive the results. Other people in your household might need to isolate too, depending on their vaccination status.

[Arrange to have a PCR test online](#) or by phone by calling 119 if you have not already had one. Stay at home while you are waiting for a home test kit, a test site appointment or a test result. You can leave your home in a few specific circumstances, but do not go to work, school, or public areas and do not use public transport or taxis.

If you are isolating because of a positive test result but did not have any symptoms, and you develop COVID-19 symptoms within your isolation period, start a new 10 day isolation period by counting 10 full days from the day following your symptom onset.

If you develop COVID-19 symptoms at any point after ending your first period of isolation you and your household should follow the steps, starting with isolation and arranging a PCR.

How to stop COVID-19 from spreading

There are things you can do to help reduce the risk of you and anyone you live with getting ill with COVID-19, do:

- wash your hands with soap and water often – do this for at least 20 seconds
- use hand sanitiser gel if soap and water are not available
- wash your hands as soon as you get home
- cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your sleeve (not your hands) when you cough or sneeze
- put used tissues in the bin immediately and wash your hands afterwards

These measures will help keep as many students in schools receiving face-to-face education as possible.

We will continue to maintain rigorous cleaning and hygiene levels at school and do everything we can to keep everyone safe.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me.

Once again, I thank you for your continued support and please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards,



Daniel Upfield
Principal

Link: [Hammersmith and Fulham Covid-19 Homepage](#)



New Hammersmith and Fulham Foodbank open opposite Ark Swift 3 days per week. To get help from the Foodbank, you'll need a referral voucher. Please speak to Miss Burton.

<https://hammersmithfulham.foodbank.org.uk/>

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