

## **Oakmeadow CE Primary School Bayston Hill Shrewsbury Shropshire** SY3 ONU

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Happy New Year! We hope you have all had a wonderful festive break.

We are pleased that no new guidance on the opening of schools has been announced so that we can begin term as normal and we are looking forward to welcoming children back tomorrow on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January.

As you're no doubt aware, new rules around isolation and testing are now in place so we wanted to write prior to term starting to clarify how this impacts on school attendance. Please find attached a document which gives details on different scenarios.

Before school starts, we would be grateful if parents/carers consider testing their children before return to reduce transmission after a period of social mixing during the holidays. Staff will of course do the same. We hope that this term remains as undisrupted as possible! As last term though, we must recognise that the high rates of COVID-19 may cause difficulties with the availability of staff and attendance. Our shared priority is to keep school open and children and young people continuing face-to-face education. If staffing issues arise, we will once again use staff more flexibly where required to ensure we remain open, whilst ensuring that we continue to have appropriate support in place for all pupils including those with SEND.

We hope you find the attached information useful. We will continue to review and amend as necessary as new guidance comes out. As always, please do not hesitate to contact school if you have a situation you are unsure of and please let school know of any absence before 9am by ringing the attendance line on (01743) 875020 or emailing attendance@oak.mmat.co.uk

Many thanks and we look forward to seeing you soon,

The Oakmeadow Team.







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