



Pupils who have symptoms of COVID-19, or have had a positive lateral flow device (LFD) test, should self-isolate and get a confirmatory PCR test. If a pupil tests negative and if they feel well, they can stop self-isolating and return to school.

We understand that this shift in rules is a sensitive one and it may seem uncomfortable sending in your child, or their sibling, if there is another member of the household with a positive case, however these are the attendance guidelines we are to follow and as such any non-attendance for reasons other than those reasons above may be logged as unauthorised. We will continue to be vigilant and of course will work with families on individual circumstances. Please don't hesitate to contact us if you are unsure of what to do in a particular situation. Please also continue to inform us of any developments in your own household if symptoms or positive cases are present or if they have been contacts. We will track carefully any cases within school and have measures in place if cases were to rise.

### **Requests for absence**

As usual, parents should plan their holidays within school breaks and avoid seeking permission to take their children out of school during term time. Families should also consider that their child may need to self-isolate following trips overseas that require a period of quarantine. Our school term dates are on our website and we request you consult these before any trips are booked.

### **Communications**

We have now moved IT providers and linked to this have new email addresses. These and key contacts are on our website. **Please note we are phasing out the head@ email** and so to contact myself directly please email [Samantha.hill@oak.mmat.co.uk](mailto:Samantha.hill@oak.mmat.co.uk). Mrs Whelan can be emailed on [Carla.whelan@mmat.co.uk](mailto:Carla.whelan@mmat.co.uk)

Thank you for your understanding during these times of change,

Kind Regards

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