

COVID 19 Update 07.10.20 via email

Dear Parents / Carers

We have been subject to new local measures since 03 October 2020 and our school has adapted well to the new restrictions. We are doing all we can to ensure that school is as safe as it can possibly be for the children with minimum disruption.

We have been asked by NHS to remind our parents that a COVID test should only be booked if you or your child has any of the following symptoms:

- A high temperature
- A new continuous cough
- A loss of, or a change in, sense of smell or taste

Tests can be booked via <https://www.wirral.gov.uk/health-and-social-care/coronavirus-updates/covid-19-testing-wirral-key-workers> or for further advice contact 111.

Our home learning is now available to all children who are currently away from school with a COVID related absence. Children are logging into their account, uploading their work and teachers are marking and responding to the children. In addition to this support, all children who receive free school meals (not Universal FSM) who are off with a COVID related absence have the option of a delivered packed lunch. If you do require a lunch for your child please ensure that you email: **packedlunch@ourlady-saintedwards.wirral.sch.uk** before 9.30 with your lunch option.

We have had a number of children being collected for medical appointments within school time. Can we remind you that if your child returns to school they must go home first to shower and change their clothing. We are asking you to do this to reduce the risk of COVID transmission.

Children should only be collected from school by either their parent or someone who is within their support bubble. There are some exceptions to this guidance (such as child-minders), if you are unsure of who can collect your child from school please refer to the local measure guidance.

Attached to this email are two handy guides:

COVID 19 Absence, A quick guide for parents

COVID 19, A quick guide for residents

If you require any further information or clarification on the new local measures please visit <https://www.wirral.gov.uk/health-and-social-care/coronavirus-updates/local-restrictions-wirral>

Finally, may I remind parents that no one should park or drop off children on the yellow zig-zag lines outside the school. This is a dangerous and illegal place to park especially when children are around. Parents should not park on Air Sea Containers premises, parking across their entrance could be a hazard in an emergency and also blocks their vehicles.

Thank you for helping our community stay safe during these uncertain times.