



EDITH CAVELL PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents

Happy New Year. I do hope that families have had a restful and enjoyable holiday period.

We are looking forward to welcoming children back to school tomorrow – Wednesday 5th January 2022 if they are fit and well.

If any child has been confirmed as Covid-19 positive over the Christmas holidays, I would ask that you inform the school via email and include when isolation is due to end so we can update our attendance records. office@ecls.org.uk

In these current times of such high infections in Bedford, it is essential that we all undertake a high level of precautions to ensure that school can continue to operate as close to normal as possible.

I would ask

- Parents to continue to wear face masks on the school site.
- Parents maintain social distancing when waiting at the start and end of the school day.
- Parents are vigilant to any symptoms of Covid -19 in their children and take actions, such as undertaking Lateral Flow Tests before coming to school.

In school we will be continuing with

- Regular handwashing throughout the day
 - o Children will be reminded about the importance of thorough handwashing
- Maintaining good hand hygiene and routinely practising 'catch it, bin it, kill it'
- Maintaining consistent groupings – the different phases of the school will not mix
- Classrooms being well ventilated
- Carbon monoxide monitors being used in each teaching space to monitor air quality
- Maintaining separate phase groupings in the dining hall
- Resources such as laptops, ipads, maths and PE equipment being sanitised after each use
- Whole school assemblies being held virtually
- Staff wearing face coverings in communal areas
- Staff continuing to undertake regular LFT testing
- Only essential visitors coming into school



If school has any concerns about the health of a child in school, we will contact parents and ask them to collect their child. If your child is showing Covid-19 symptoms, they will wait in an isolation area until collected.

If you have changed your phone number over the Christmas period, please ensure that we hold the most current contact number for you by emailing the school office to update your details on office@ecls.org.uk

As and when there are further updates on advice to schools and parents I will communicate this to you.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to ask.

Yours Sincerely

Miss H Cooke
Headteacher