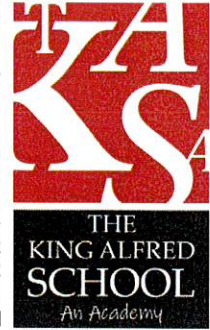


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Dear Parent/Carer

## **COVID-19 Management Measures for Term 2**

Due to the continuing rise of COVID-19 infection rates across North Somerset, Somerset and the South West generally, the local Directors of Public Health have jointly issued recommendations that schools should implement, initially **for the first two weeks of Term 2**.

Therefore, when students return after the half term break, the following measures will be put in place in order to support limiting the further spread of COVID-19 infection within our schools and the wider community.

### **At school**

- We will not be holding large gatherings such as assemblies for at least two weeks after the half term break.
- We will continue to deploy an enhanced cleaning regime and routines.
- We will continue to keep spaces well ventilated.
- We will continue to encourage frequent and thorough hand washing.
- We will consider and review if any arranged external educational visits should proceed or be postponed.
- We will continue to support the wider vaccination programme for students and staff and implement any further guidance as necessary and advised by Public Health England or the Department for Education.

### **What we are asking you to do**

- Your child (with the exception of those who are exempt for health/medical reasons) should come to school with a face covering **from Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November**. The expectation will be that they should wear this when moving about the school site throughout the day. It would also be helpful if spare masks are also carried in case of loss.
- The wearing of face coverings by students in class will be at their own discretion at this stage.
- All students should take a Lateral Flow Device test (LFD), as provided, **before returning to school on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November**, and then continue to test at home twice weekly for the coming weeks. If you do not have any tests available at home please email [mprocter@tkasa.org.uk](mailto:mprocter@tkasa.org.uk) to arrange a collection from the main school Reception.
- If your child is unwell with COVID-19 symptoms they **must** stay at home and continue to stay at home until 24 hours after the symptoms subside. This to be done **even if they have tested negative for COVID-19**.
- If anyone in your household tests positive for COVID-19, all members of the household should take a PCR test, which can be booked at <https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test>. Your child can still attend school until their own PCR test result is received as long as **they take a LFD test each day that returns a negative result**.

You are reminded that the main COVID-19 symptoms are :

- A high temperature
- A new, continuous cough
- A loss or change to your sense of smell and taste

Many people with COVID-19 have at least one of these symptoms, but one in three infected persons show no symptoms (Asymptomatic), which is why continued LFD testing is considered so important to identify anyone potentially infected.

Your continued support and flexibility to implement these revised arrangements at the start of Term 2 is appreciated and we will update you with any other amended requirements as they are advised to us.

Yours sincerely,

Dan Milford  
Principal

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