

# Update....



OAKFIELD ACADEMY

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Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2021

Dear Parent,

## Covid-19 Academy Status:

Whilst infection rates at the academy are currently low, our local rates remain significantly higher than the England rate. Based on a risk assessment by Public Health they are advising all schools to keep in place the previously recommended measures until the end of November 2021.

In addition to the basic and additional measures, here is a brief reminder of the enhanced measures we have in place:

- Continue to recommend face coverings in communal areas such as corridors, when movement occurs between lessons and on school transport if used
- Reduce mixing between groups of pupils as much as possible. Consider pausing whole school assemblies and other "large gatherings" indoors
- Promote social distancing and reduce crowding where possible; minimise pinch points in the school day, for example, staggered lunch times
- Reinforce social distancing and good infection prevention control, including ventilation
- Any close or household contacts of confirmed cases of Covid-19 identified by NHS Test & Trace to book a PCR test and whilst awaiting test results, **undertake a daily LFD test and only attend school if this is negative- this includes pupils of primary age under parental discretion.** The new LFD tests are nasal swabs only and much easier to use than previous ones

## Asymptomatic Screening (LFD Tests):

This programme continues for **Year 7 and 8 pupils and staff**. We have been using Mondays and Thursdays as a 'rough' guide to remind them when to do them, but you can of course plan times that work best for your family.

- Only use twice weekly LFD testing for **asymptomatic** cases
- Make sure you do an LFD according to the instructions and at least 30 minutes after eating or drinking
- If you get a positive LFD or have symptoms get a PCR and use the supervised PCR testing route at test centre to get the best quality test
- Take up the offer of vaccination

**Reporting ALL Results:** When home testing it is your responsibility to report every result whether it is positive, negative or void. Register the result with the NHS here: <https://www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result>

I would just like to say a huge thank you again for the overwhelming show of support following our Ofsted inspection. We are well underway with actions and I will include updates on what we're doing in our next update.

## Remember:

It's Children in Need mufti day this Friday and donations for wearing non uniform can be made via ParentPay....  
<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=5472>

Yours sincerely,

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