



St Edmund Arrowsmith Catholic High School

Prepare the way of the Lord

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Dear Parent/Carer

Please find below some important information following our return to school:-

COVID REPORTING

Following a change in guidance from 24th February please follow this procedure for reporting your child's absence:-

- Pupils **NO** longer require to routinely test twice a week using LFD tests. We will not be distributing any further packs of tests.
- Although there is no legal requirement to self-isolate if your child has COVID we are still strongly recommending the guidance is followed to reduce the spread of COVID amongst staff and pupils in school.
- If your child displays COVID symptoms they should stay off school and arrange for a PCR test immediately.

Please notify school of the absence via Synergy or email covidreporting@arrowsmith.wigan.sch.uk

Initially we will assume your child will be absent for the 10 days following the test date or onset of symptoms, however if they test negative on **Day 5 and Day 6** they can return to school that morning, providing the test has been taken before 8am. If Day 5 is positive they must have 2 consecutive negative LFD to be allowed to return to school earlier than 10 days.

The latest guidance can be found here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-people-with-covid-19-and-their-contacts/covid-19-people-with-covid-19-and-their-contacts>



[COVID-19: people with COVID-19 and their contacts - GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-people-with-covid-19-and-their-contacts/covid-19-people-with-covid-19-and-their-contacts)

Who this guidance is for.
There is no longer a legal requirement for people with coronavirus (COVID-19) infection to self-isolate, however if you have any of the main symptoms of COVID-19 or a ...
www.gov.uk

School continues to follow all the recommended control measures to reduce the risk of spreading COVID.

1. Ensure good hygiene for everyone.
2. Maintain appropriate cleaning regimes.
3. Keep occupied spaces well ventilated.
4. Follow public health advice on testing, self-isolation and managing confirmed cases of COVID-19

WISEPAY

Whilst you are now able to pay money online to pay for your child's lunch, the systems are not linked and you are still unable to see "live" data. We are hopeful this should be rectified within the next couple of weeks. This is beyond our control and our IT staff are working hard to resolve the problem. Please remind your child that a daily limit of £5 is set and pupils will NOT be allowed to overspend. FSM allowance is £2.50 per day.

PUPIL EMAIL

Pupils have NO access to emails, ONENOTE and ONE DRIVE and we are working hard to resume some services as soon as possible.

Thank you for your continued support,

Yours sincerely



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