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Urmston Primary School

Dear Parents and Carers,

It really has been lovely to have your children back this week. We've seen so many smiling faces and so much happiness and that is such a great tonic for any societal challenges that are present at the moment. We are also very excited that our 'Being More' curriculum is now online at urmstonprimary.com/curriculum. It has taken a great deal of time and collaboration and we are looking forward to this evolving further. You should be receiving correspondence from your children's class teachers about what they'll be doing this term as well as all the logistical bits and pieces that they'll need to know.

Have a super weekend and we'll see you next week!

Mr P.

BEING MORE

It is so important that our children are immersed in the notion of being actively positive and doing that bit more to make the world better for themselves and others. We'd really love you to get more involved with this so please email me at s.parker@urmstonprimaryschool.com so that we can celebrate, as a school, the fantastic things that our children are doing for others in the community and be inspired to 'be more' ourselves.

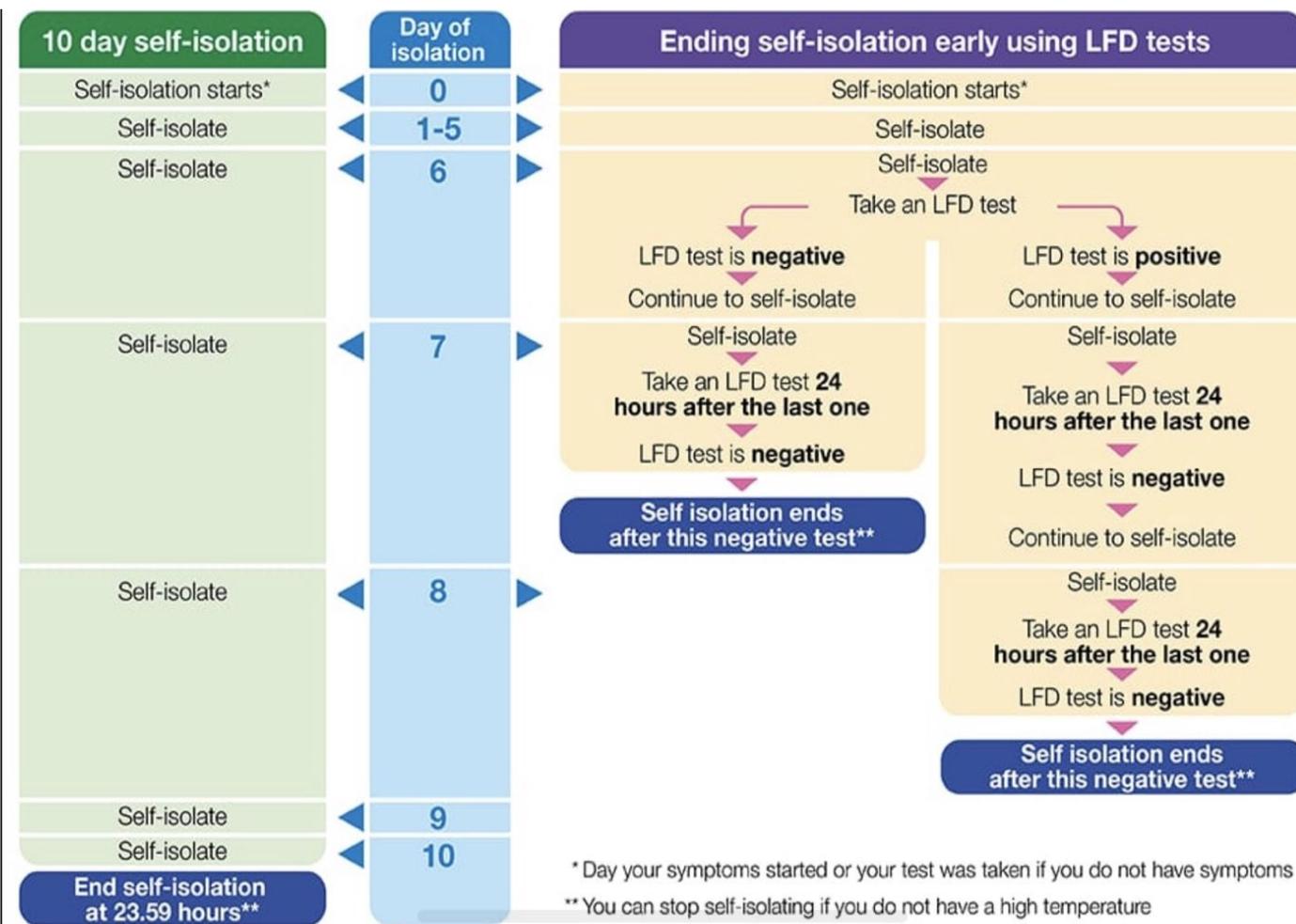
Christmas can be a lovely time but it can also be difficult. Earlier in the week I heard about how fantastic Joey has been in dealing with some really difficult and sad things that have gone on recently. I've been told of his resilience and his responsibility and we are all proud of you, buddy, for showing our school values when they matter most...well done...you should be proud of yourself too!

Also, a big well done to Florence and Isla, both of whom have shown kindness, respect and responsibility in giving their own time to deliver leaflets for St Ann's Hospice to spread the word about their Christmas tree recycling scheme. They went out on a couple of occasions and they were both hugely helpful. Registration for the scheme is open until 9th Jan so please take a look! Great stuff girls!



COVID UPDATE

On Tuesday, I mentioned the current guidance on the Omicron variant for isolation. On the next page is a useful chart which explains it more thoroughly. Of course, since then it has been declared that from the 11th, if there are no symptoms, a positive lateral flow test will not need to be backed up with a PCR. It will still mean that household contacts will need to do lateral flow tests for seven days though. We'll keep you up to date as soon as we receive any further information.



EARLY HELP

Attached to this email, is some of the Early Help support that the local authority can offer. It is unfortunate that things are so overwhelmed at the moment and that Trafford Sunrise, supporting children's mental health, has had to suspend its service.

Regardless, if you feel you might need some support for yourself, your children or your family, please don't hesitate to come and ask us for a chat. We feel a great responsibility as a community hub to provide support where it is needed as we are all too aware of the dwindling services that are out there. The offer is there should you need to take us up on it!

PROVISIONAL DATES FOR THE DIARY...

Monday 24th January, 11am: SEN drop in with Mrs Helyar — see yesterday's letter for the link!

Monday 7th February, 1.30pm: SENDIASS workshop/Q&A— see yesterday's letter for the link!

Tuesday 1st February: Chinese New Year

Wednesday 2nd February, 12.45pm: Parent Wellbeing meeting — link to come

WB 7th March: Children's Mental Health Week with Place2Be

WB 14th March: Neurodiversity Celebration Week; WB 28th March: World Autism Awareness Week

Friday 18th March: Red Nose Day

Tuesday 22nd, Thursday 24th March: Parents Evening—info closer to the time.

There's lots more going on in school that you'll find out about and we'll also be putting on a writing workshop soon. Watch this space!