

Thursday 1st April, 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

NHS Test & Trace

As you may be aware from the media, schools have been issued with guidance from the Department for Education (DfE) once again to assist with the NHS test & trace system during the first part of the Easter break. This will mean that school staff are expected to remain on duty for at least the first 6 days of the holiday if we have a situation where a child or member of staff were to develop symptoms.

In the event that your child develops symptoms of Covid, it would be helpful if you could make yourselves familiar with the following:

Up to and including 7th April 2021, please inform the school if your child tests positive for coronavirus (COVID-19), having developed symptoms within 48 hours of being in school. Our staff will do the same. The child (or staff member) may have been infectious whilst in school and I will need to assist Public Health England in identifying close contacts and advising self-isolation.

We have set up a dedicated email address for you to contact us which will be checked on a daily basis by the Senior Leadership Team up to and including 7th April and then regularly after that; help@heamoor.cornwall.sch.uk

Where a child tests positive for coronavirus (COVID-19), having developed symptoms <u>more than 48 hours</u> since being in school, the school should not be contacted. Parents and carers should follow contact tracing instructions provided by NHS Test and Trace.

(Please <u>DO NOT</u> use Class dojo to notify school of a positive case. This letter will be available on the Covid Information page of our website for reference)

If we have a positive case, I will take advice from Public Health and will contact parents either by telephone or text message if any of our 'bubbles' need to isolate.

Please do not bring your child back to school after the Easter break if they or any of the household have symptoms (*incl. continuous cough, change to taste/smell, high temperature*). If in doubt, please check with us first which can be done via the email address above.

Summer Term – routine change

We start the new Summer term on Monday 19th April, 2021. As we continue through the Government's Covid roadmap, from this date, we would like to make a minor change to the **staggered start time** for the **2nd group (N-Z)** and the **pick-up time** for the **1st group (A-M)**

From 19th April, times will be as follows;

Arrival:

Between 8.45am and 8.55am: Surnames A-M

Between 8.55am and 9.05am: Surnames N-Z

Following our newsletter reminder, may I take this opportunity to thank you all for ensuring that you arrive within your time slots and not early, that has been really helpful.

Collection - End of the school day:

3.05pm: Surnames A-M (1.20pm on Friday)

3.15pm: Surnames N-Z (1.30pm on Friday)

All of the other measures will remain the same including the one-way systems, car park closure and only one parent per family on site during drop-off/pick-up times to reduce the number of people.

Thank you in advance of your continued support and understanding.

Yours Sincerely,

Mrs Jodie Flynn Headteacher