



Our Ref: LTM/kmd/covidupdate

December 2021

Dear Parent/Carer

Re: Covid Update (including LFD Testing at the start of the new term in January)

Thank you to all families who have completed the consent form for onsite testing upon students' return to school in January 2022, which has allowed us to finalise planning for the new year. I can confirm that we have planned for all students who have been given consent to be tested on Wednesday 5th January; parents of these students will receive separate communication to outline when and where they should report for their testing following a normal arrival at school.

For all other families, we will be circulating further home testing kits on Wednesday, 15th December which students will bring home with them at the end of the school day. Families are not required to test children twice weekly throughout the holiday, although may choose to use the test kits prior to attending any significant Christmas or New Year events. We would however ask families to ensure that they keep enough testing kits to allow children to be tested on the evening of Tuesday, 4th January 2022 prior to their return to school. Any positive cases should be reported to the NHS via the normal channel and to school via the covid email: covid.support@oldburywells.com

I can also confirm that the return date for all students remains Wednesday 5th January 2022; we will not require a staggered start to the new year as has previously been the case.

A reminder that on return to school all students will be required to wear a face covering and should arrive prepared for this from the first day of the new term; students travelling to school by bus will be required to wear a face covering throughout their journey into school.

Although we are very much hoping that this will be the last communication with regards to Covid, we will obviously inform all families if there are any significant updates for schools to consider over the holiday period; further information can be found on the school website at <http://www.oldburywells.com/parent-information/covid-update>

I look forward to sharing our Christmas Journal with you before the end of the week and would like to take this initial opportunity to wish you a restful Christmas period and all the very best for the New Year and beyond.

Thanks to you as always for all your support.

Yours faithfully

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