**Edenfield C E Primary School**

11th January 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

**Latest Covid-19 Updates: January 2022**

As you may be aware, the government guidance on booking confirmatory PCR tests has changed with effect from today. PCR testing following a positive result on a lateral flow device (LFD) will be temporarily suspended from today. This means that within education settings, asymptomatic pupils (not showing any symptoms) who have tested and reported a positive LFD will no longer be advised to get a PCR test.

Please note any pupils or parents who take an LFD as a result of developing symptoms, **SHOULD STILL** take a PCR test.

Education and childcare settings are not expected to trace contacts of a positive case (this remains the responsibility of NHS Test and Trace); however, should we be notified of positive cases, we will continue to send an amended version of the 'warn and inform' letter to close contacts so that you can remain vigilant and check for possible symptoms in your child. We continue to ask that you let us know as soon as possible if your child tests positive for Covid-19.

Please report cases, via the school office by telephone or email, or at head@edenfield.lancs.sch.uk during the week, and via covidupdates@edenfield.lancs.sch.uk during weekends and holidays. Please **DO NOT** use the general email address on the website for reporting Covid cases or any other pupil absence as this address is inundated with junk mail from outside agencies, on any given day, and only checked intermittently. All of our parents and carers are directed to specific contacts, for their use only, to ensure a swift response.

Please do not hesitate to get in touch if you require any further clarification about these changes to guidance. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Yours faithfully,

C. L. Garner
Headteacher