Edenfield C E Primary School

27th April 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the summer term, I hope that you all enjoyed a lovely Easter. We already have an extended bank holiday weekend ahead and I wish you all a pleasant few days.

Over the Easter holiday period, the DfE released the latest government guidance for living with Covid-19 and I include the most relevant points for our setting below. Should you wish to access the full guidance please follow this link: https://www.gov.uk/guidance/people-with-symptoms-of-a-respiratory-infection-including-covid-19

From 1st April, updated guidance will advise people with symptoms of a respiratory infection, including Covid-19, and a high temperature or who feel unwell, to try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people until they feel well enough to resume normal activities and they no longer have a high temperature.

From 1st April, anyone with a positive Covid-19 test result will be advised to try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for five days, which is when they are most infectious. Advice will be provided for individuals who need to leave their home when they have symptoms or have tested positive, including avoiding close contact with people with a weakened immune system, wearing a face covering and avoiding crowded places.

Children and young people who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people, where they can. They can go back to school, college or childcare when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend.

Children and young people aged 18 years and under who have a positive test result

If a child or young person has a positive Covid-19 test result, they should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for three days after the day they took the test. After three days, if they feel well and do not have a high temperature, the risk of passing the infection on to others is much lower. This is because children and young people tend to be infectious to other people for less time than adults. In summary, the day of the positive test result would count as day zero, three further days should be spent recovering at home and on the fifth day, the child may return to school as long as they feel well and there is no evidence of a high temperature. Repeat LFD tests are no longer necessary or recommended.

Children and young people who usually go to school, college or childcare and who live with someone who has a positive Covid-19 test result should continue to attend as normal.

Please do not hesitate to contact the school if you require further information relating to Covid-19 and the latest guidance.

Yours faithfully,

C. L. Garner
Headteacher