



Barrowby Church of England Primary School

25th November 2021

Advice to Year 5 Parents

Dear Parents,

Unfortunately, today we have had a positive case of COVID within our Year 5 class and as such **have reached the point where it is necessary to take further action.**

Within the Health Protection Guidance that the school has received and working through, we ask that all Year 5 parents take their Year 5 child to complete a PCR test as soon as possible, if you haven't already done so. If that test result is negative then please also complete an LFD after 5 days of completing the PCR test.

Your Year 5 child can still come to school while you are waiting for the results of the PCR test. **They should not come to school if they begin to present symptoms** e.g. persistent cough, loss of taste/smell or a high temperature.

Please keep your children at home if you think they have symptoms and take them for a PCR test.

Please refer to the ['What should I do if my child has symptoms?'](#) section of the school website for further information.

As a school we have already implemented protective measures for all our classes. These include:

- Reducing the mixing of children with other year groups e.g. separate them at playtime/lunchtime on the playground, conduct Collective Worship in the classroom, enjoy their lunch socially distant from other children.
- Restrict children's usage of toilet blocks-so they are not shared with identified COVID Clusters.

We will continually review the cases across the school and in Year 5. If further cases are identified within the Year 5 class we will then need to:

- Revert back to asking the children to sit in pairs facing the front.
- Restrict visits and visitors to Year 5-as such until otherwise notified Year 5 will not be able to attend after-school activities/clubs/events.
- Year 5 children may still attend our Wrap Around Care facility but will need to be separated from the other children.

I hope we do not need to implement these measures but will let you know if and when these further measures are necessary.

At this time, I urge all Year 5 parents to take their Year 5 child for a PCR test. Your child can be collected from school so that you can attend the 'walk through' service at Queen Elizabeth park, in Grantham.

I understand that this is not ideal, but must urge everyone to remain calm. Unless your Year 5 child tests positive or has COVID symptoms then they should continue to come to school.

By working together and following the guidance we continue to protect each other and our school, helping our school remain open for all those who are well enough to attend.

These are challenging times but we will prevail, if we 'stick together.'

Stay safe.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'L. Batey', with a horizontal line underneath.

Len Batey-Headteacher
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