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Dear parent/carers

Welcome to school for the Autumn Term 2021 here at Wycliffe! Those of you who are already a part of our family – welcome back - and those of you new to us, here's to a positive and happy start on your Wycliffe journey. Alongside new pupils we will all meet new staff, as mentioned in previous communications, and we welcome Mrs. Foster to school. We were desperate to share Mrs Foster's news before the holidays but we were so cautious of COVID regulations scuppering her plans! However, we are really pleased to say that Miss Jones (Y6 teacher) had a wonderful wedding day over the holidays and is now titled Mrs Foster – when we all remember! All staffing updates can be found on our website.

The lifting of regulations currently see us running school with many aspects of normality. We shall no longer have pure bubble in classes, playgrounds will be populated by parents and children and masks will not be in use unless certain individuals require this added layer of protection. Although we will be mixing more freely than of late, we will remain vigilant with hygiene and ventilation and will follow trust and national guidance as directed locally and nationally.

Current parental guidance can be found through this link:

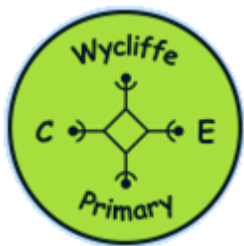
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak/step-4-update-what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges>

Please note: individuals are **not** required to self-isolate if they live in the same household as someone with COVID-19, or are a close contact of someone with COVID-19, and any of the following apply:

- they are fully vaccinated
- they are below the age of 18 years and 6 months
- they have taken part in or are currently part of an approved COVID-19 vaccine trial
- they are not able to get vaccinated for medical reasons

Instead, they will be contacted by NHS Test and Trace, informed they have been in close contact with a positive case and advised to take a [PCR test](#). We would encourage all individuals to take a PCR test if advised to do so.

We do not close a class if we have a positive case – only the positive case and other symptomatic persons need to isolate (and take a PCR immediately) until NHS Test and trace inform you otherwise.



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Symptomatic people will be sent home immediately to take a PCR and must isolate until tests are returned and then guidance followed.

The main symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are:

- a high temperature – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- a new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

A recap on uniform

Full school uniform will be in place as normal from September 2021. The uniform will be unchanged in September with P.E. kit still being worn to arrive in on P.E. days. Please look carefully at the requirements as all students must follow these. Details are available on the school website in our updated prospectus – page 25. <https://wycliffeprimary.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/Wycliffe-2021-Prospectus.pdf> A reminder too regarding no jewellery and to **ONLY use clear water bottles**, available to purchase from the office.

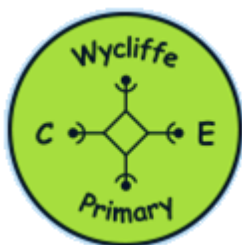
Arrangements for the start of term

Reception starters have their staggered intake and have different timings to the rest of our school but from the 8th – gates will open at 8.35am – **please stay with your child until 8.40am and return for them at 3.15pm**. Breakfast and Out of School Club are open as usual. **Please keep a close eye on the school website and emails which will have all updates and guidance should anything new come to our attention.**

Wednesday is nearly upon us and I trust that like our amazing staff, you too are looking forward to a positive start to the new school year. Please do not hesitate to talk to staff in the playground should you need any queries answering or any reassurances. You can also asked for emails to be passed on to specific teachers via the office: office@wycliffe.bradford.sch.uk and COVID information can be shared through: covid@wycliffe.bradford.sch.uk

As always, my very warmest regards,

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