ELLINGTON PRIMARY SCHOOL





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Dear Parents and Carers, September 25th 2020

In light of the increase in the spread of Covid-19 in our region, I am writing to inform you that we have put <u>additional</u> <u>information from the NHS and Public Health England</u> on our school website and on the notice boards that are located at the entrances used for the drop-off and collection of children.

The information relates to Covid-19 symptoms and what to do if your child or a family member displays symptoms or receives a positive test.

It is vital that you inform us if your child or a member of your household/family support bubble does display symptoms or tests positive for Covid-19 so that we can take appropriate action. We have set up a dedicated email address to enable you to do so if this occurs outside of school hours.

The address is Covid19@ellington.northumberland.sch.uk.

Please remember that children must not attend school if they or any members of their household/family support bubble develop symptoms of Covid-19.

You must follow the guidelines on the website and the 'Stay at home guidance: for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus (Covid-19) infection' at https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance.

It is also really important that you continue to use the allocated entrances, adhere to start and finish times for your children, wear face coverings and remain socially distanced on the playground at drop-off and collection times. This will enable us to keep the children in their allocated bubbles, which are now class bubbles throughout the day, to minimise the number of children that will need to be sent home if a case is identified in school.

If you have not already done so, please return the data collection sheets that were sent out with my last newsletter as soon as possible. This will enable us to move to the electronic mailing system that we are in the process of setting up to keep in touch with you via text or email.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

Mr K. Vardy (Headteacher)