Ref: LD/KHi/KB/Reporting Covid

20th October 2020

Dear Parents / Carers

Barr Beacon School

www.barrbeaconschool.co.uk

School Procedures for Reporting Positive Cases of Covid

I am writing to thank you for your support so far this term during what has been one in which both pupils and staff have had to adapt to quite extra ordinary circumstances. I am very proud of how our pupils have acclimatised to the demands of the risk assessment which is in place to keep everyone as safe as possible when they are in school.

Can I request that if your child or someone in your household has symptoms of Covid, please get a test and self-isolate while you wait for results of the test. While your child is self-isolating, their percentage for attendance will not be impacted upon.

If your child receives a positive test result, please inform school as soon as possible even if this is at the weekend. The necessary contact with Public Health Walsall can then be made and actions taken to keep others safe. If you receive a test result during the week, you can call to speak to your child's House Office or alternatively, email postbox@barrbeaconschool.co.uk, which can also be used at the weekend to make contact.

Please be assured that any information we use to decide who needs to isolate is directed by Public Health Walsall and is always made after communication with the pupil and parent, where appropriate.

If your child is affected by a pupil who has tested positive for Covid, we will contact you directly by text message. If your child is not affected, you will receive a letter via text message to inform you of a case in your child's year group. It is essential that your mobile phone number held by school is kept up to date. If you need to inform us of any changes, please contact your child's House Office or email postbox@barrbeaconschool.co.uk

As we near the end of the half term, please remind your child that they must wear a mask in school (unless they are on the exempt list by prior arrangement) and when using public transport. If your child walks to school, they must follow the latest government guidance and keep 2 metres distance wherever possible to help reduce the risk of transmission.

If you believe that you may be entitled to free school meals, please log on to the school website www.barrbeaconschool.co.uk/fsm to make an application. Once you apply, you will receive feedback directly to your email address. If you are eligible your child will receive £1.00 at break time and £2.00 at lunch time.

Yours sincerely

Ms L Draycott













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