

# ST ANDREW'S CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers

Thank you for your continued support during these times. The term has started well and children are settling into a new routine and re-engaging with their learning.

You will have seen in the local and national media that there have already been instances of positive COVID-19 cases in Bury schools. This has led to some class bubbles being sent home from school to self-isolate for two weeks.

On the school website you can find guidance to follow in a variety of scenarios relating to the virus and school absence. Please use this guide as a quick reference if you are not sure of what to do.

We have a lot of children who are currently displaying symptoms of the common cold – sore throat, slight cough, runny nose. Obviously, there are similarities to some COVID symptoms. This is to be expected at this time of year and when we come back together as a larger group. If you are unsure please contact your GP or local pharmacist for advice.

Alternatively you can get help from NHS 111

- go to [111.nhs.uk](https://111.nhs.uk) (for people aged 5 and over only)
- call 111

NHS 111 is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

In the event of a positive case (staff or child) at St Andrew's the following steps will be taken:

You will be notified by one of two letters:

- If the child or member of staff is in your child's class bubble, everyone in the bubble will be asked to self-isolate for two weeks and the return to school date will be on the letter.
- Everyone else will be notified by letter that there has been a positive case in school but not affecting your child's class bubble and your child can come to school as normal.

Any child who is self-isolating will have work provided for them for two weeks by the class teacher. This will be relevant to what has been taught up to the point the self-isolation starts.

This work will be physical worksheets/workbooks, online activities or a mixture of both. The teacher may drip-feed work over the two week period and not necessarily all at the start of the self-isolation period. We are also currently developing the use of an online platform called Seesaw which will provide a powerful learning loop between children, teachers, and families. Over time we want this tool to become a window into your child's learning and help you to engage with what is going on in school. You will receive details about Seesaw and how to use it in a separate letter. Teachers will be able to communicate with you, send reminders, upload our usual school work such as homework, spellings, learning support documents, links to useful

websites etc.. Your child will be able to sign in to access their personal “file”. This will be a very useful tool with or without the issues of COVID.

Your child’s teacher will contact you and your child by telephone to check in over the two week period. You also have your child’s teacher’s email address or the school’s email address if you wish to contact school about anything. If it is your child’s teacher that isn’t well you may receive a response from another member of staff. We want to ensure that communication is an active two way process.

If you have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact school using the email address below.

Kind regards



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