

1st April 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

What to do if your child tests positive for Covid-19 over the Easter holidays.

I wanted to make you aware of the procedure we have put in place to maintain our obligation to safeguard our community members throughout the holidays and in addition to term time. Your support will, as always, be greatly appreciated.

If your child shows symptoms of Covid-19 on either the 1st or 2nd April, please email the school (admin@newton-poppleford.devon.sch.uk) to inform us and arrange a test for your child.

When the result is received, send us another email informing us if it is positive or negative.

In the event of a positive test, we will then notify all other parents/carers of those students deemed to have been in 'close contact' with your child, as they will need to isolate for 10 days in line with PHE guidance.

If your child starts with symptoms between 3rd April and 19th April 2021, you will need to book a PCR test (a lateral flow test is not sufficient unfortunately) and in the event of a positive test, you must follow PHE guidance and isolate. Can you also inform school via email in the event of a positive test - if the isolation period extends into the new term, then you will need to let us know. If your child tests positive, it would be really useful if you could forward a copy of the confirmation email (or a screenshot of the text) to <u>admin@newton-poppleford.devon.sch.uk</u> for our records.

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards,

Stuart Vaughan Head Teacher