



Denbigh Community Primary School

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Dear Parent and Carers,

I'd like to wish you all a Happy New Year and we hope that 2021 brings health and happiness to all families in our community.

I am sure you are aware of the current speculation in the news about primary schools reopening next week.

We all want schools to be open safely as soon as possible. However, teaching unions are concerned about the current rate of transmission (the R Rate is now above 1) and that the new variant might be more prevalent amongst younger people than the previous variants.

Governors and senior managers want to guarantee safety for our children, their parents, our staff and their families. Safety always comes first.

Senior Leaders and school Governors are currently reviewing the school's Risk Assessment, so that it is in line with Tier 4 restrictions. We will let you know the outcome of this review by 10.30am on Monday 4th January 2021.

If we are unable to fully open on 5th January, we will remain open for children of Key Worker parents and vulnerable children and provide remote learning for those staying at home via GOOGLE CLASSROOM.

If your child has an EHCPlan, a Family Partner or a Social Worker, ***we will contact you on Monday 4th of January.***





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If you are a **Key Worker parent** we will need to know if you would like to send your child into school from Tuesday 5th of January.

Please contact school by email office@denbighps.org.uk with **Key Worker as the email heading** stating how many days you may require.

Please also provide proof of your Key Worker status attached to the email.

We are working alongside the Local Authority and will keep you informed of any changes to the current situation as soon as possible.

Thank you for your continued support in these very difficult times.

Louise Guthrie

Yours sincerely,
Dr Louise Guthrie

What to do if your child develops symptoms of COVID 19





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For most people, especially children, COVID-19 will be a mild illness.

The most common symptoms of COVID-19 are recent onset of:

- new continuous cough and/or
- high temperature and/or
- a loss of, or change in, normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

If your child develops any of these symptoms of COVID-19, they should remain at home and arrangements should be made for them to be tested. At that time all other household members must also stay at home, not go to work, school or public areas, even for exercise.

Testing can be arranged by calling 119 or via the NHS website: nhs.uk/coronavirus
When the result of the child's test is known further advice will be available.

How to stop COVID-19 spreading

There are things you can do to help reduce the risk of you and anyone you live with getting ill with COVID-19:

- wash your hands with soap and water often – do this for at least 20 seconds
- use hand sanitiser gel if soap and water are not available
- wash your hands as soon as you get home
- cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your sleeve (not your hands) when you cough or sneeze
- put used tissues in the bin immediately and wash your hands afterwards



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