



# Bryn Offa Church of England Primary School

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

As of yesterday (Monday 17<sup>th</sup> January), the government have reduced the isolation time of any person who contracts Covid-19 to five full days. **This only applies if two consecutive negative lateral flow tests have been completed 24 hours apart beginning no sooner than day five of isolation.**

In order to try and explain the new guidelines as clearly as possible, I have included a diagram below. This can be used as a guide. Simply write in the date on day zero when your child develops symptoms or tests positive and then follow the guidance for each corresponding day. This diagram was taken from the BBC website this morning – I have included the link at the bottom of the page.

A few important things to remember:

- The day which your child develops symptoms or tests positive for the virus is counted as day zero;
- The earliest that your child will be able to return to school will be the morning of day six, after they have tested negative on that day and the previous day five;
- Should your child continue to test positive for Covid-19, they must isolate for the full ten days before returning to school on the morning of the 11<sup>th</sup> day providing that they do not have a temperature. If they still have a temperature, then they must continue to isolate and seek medical advice;
- Please inform school when your child tests positive for Covid-19 in addition to when two negative lateral flow tests have been completed;
- Please ensure that the guide is followed and that no child returns to school early from isolation as the potential disruption this could cause would be significant.

If your child displays any one or more of the main symptoms, you should book a PCR test for your child and they should remain off school until a negative PCR result is received.

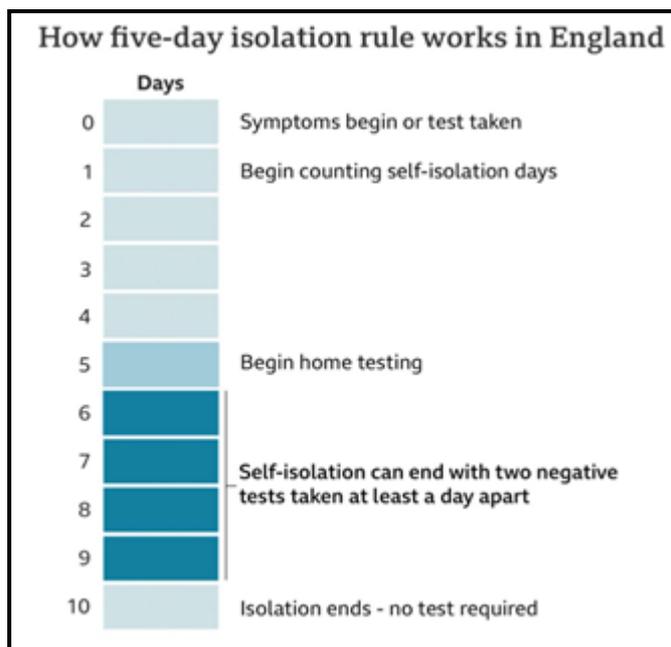
The main symptoms are:

1. A high temperature
2. A new continuous or persistent cough
3. A loss or change to your sense of smell or taste

Further information can be found at <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>

Thank you all once again for your continued support throughout the pandemic. If you have any questions or queries, please don't hesitate to contact school.

Best wishes,  
Mr Jones



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