



## 21<sup>st</sup> October 2020

Dear Parent/Carers

Thank you for your help and cooperation this term. It has been great to see everyone working together to become familiar with the new way things are being done in and around the school, and to see the children enjoying the benefits of being with friends and back in education.

As you are aware, we are now closed for October half term, however if your child is currently waiting to take a test or to receive the results of a test, I would be very grateful if you could continue to follow the process of **informing the school if there is a positive result.** To facilitate this process, over the half term we have set up a new email for parents to report a positive result.

## covid@st-elizabeths.manchester.sch.uk

By continuing to let us know if your child tests positive, we can notify and advise you and any close contacts with regards to the length of isolation and the date that your child/close contacts can return to school, to safely ensure that risk of transmission is reduced.

Should your child receive a positive result you should inform us as outlined above and follow the <u>Stay at</u> <u>home: guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus (COVID-19) infection</u>. It is very important that you and your child follow the above guidance should your child test positive and isolate for the required period, to help reduce the spread of infection. This includes not attending any playschemes, youth provision, leisure centres or sports activities etc which may have been planned for the school holidays.

Should your child be identified as a close contact of someone who has tested positive within the school, you will be contacted by the school and informed about the required isolation period and date your child can return to school. It is important that you follow the advice and guidance in relation to the isolation period to help reduce the spread of infection.

For information, I have reissued the helpful leaflet which provides information about testing, precautions and isolation. Please also visit the Covid section of our website which provides lots of helpful information and advice. <u>www.st-elizabeths.manchester.sch.uk</u>

Many thanks for your continued support in helping to keep everybody in our St. Elizabeth's school family safe.

Yours sincerely, Mrs L Kelly



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