

Eastlea Nursery COVID update



27/1/22

Dear Parents / Carers,

As outlined in our Covid protocols, I wanted to let you know that this evening we have been advised that a child within the Nursery class has had a POSITIVE Lateral Flow Test for Covid, following illness today. The family have followed all the latest guidelines and the child was not in school today, however they were in school until Wednesday so the other children/staff are 'close contacts'.

We ask you to be vigilant and alert to <u>any</u> symptoms of illness whatsoever – in this case there were none of the 'usual' Covid symptoms – instead the parents noticed a rash around the mouth, sore tongue and lethargy. Other cases this week in other classes have involved a runny nose, sore throat and headaches or been totally asymptomatic.

National guidance now states that close contacts of COVID-19 cases including children aged 5+ should take an LFD test every day for seven days and, if negative, can continue to attend school as normal.

We know that Nursery children are not yet 5 but are aware that many of you are doing regular testing with them anyway – and this is something we would strongly encourage in order to keep other pupils and staff safe. If symptoms emerge, however mild, then a PCR test should still be sought.

Thank you for your support and ongoing vigilance in order to keep everyone safe.

Miss E Beeston, Head Teacher