

## **Letter to Year 6 parents**

Dear Parents and Carers,

Firstly, can I thank a large number of you for the positive feedback and support that many of you have offered us since we returned to school. This is very much appreciated and makes a huge difference to us all.

Unfortunately, we have had notification of a positive COVID-19 test within Year 6. I am informing you that I have consulted with Public Health England to ensure that we are taking the right actions to keep our school family in good health.

They have advised that **ALL** children and staff in Year 6 should self-isolate for 14 days. This means we look forward to welcoming your children back on **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> October**. The advice from Public Health England is that children will need to be tested if they develop any of the symptoms as listed on the DfE and NHS websites:

- •a high temperature this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- •a new, continuous cough this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- •a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal.

## School Lunches:

If your child is entitled to a free school meal, please collect these from the top of the school drive from tomorrow as follows:

6C and 6W: 12:30pm - 1:00pm

6F: 1:00pm - 1:30pm

## **Home Learning:**

In the first instance you will be able to collect a paper pack to support your child with learning at home. There will be more information about remote learning to follow. Please collect any paper packs that you require between **9:30 and 10:30 on 22.09.20.** 

Staff and leaders across school are working tirelessly to ensure that we are following all of the guidance being issued. I appreciate that this is a very worrying and challenging time for the whole Birchfield family and thank you for your support.

Best wishes,

Mrs Thewlis