

Covid communication 2

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for your on-going support in helping Frome Vale to be a safe place to be. Please can we remind you of the following:

- Only arrive at FVA a few minutes before your drop off or collection time.
- Please stand well back from the green gates when waiting for your time to enter.
- Ensure your child keeps at least 2 metres from children from other year groups.
- If your child is in Key Stage 2 and is confident to walk into the playground on their own, whilst you watch from the pavement, please let them do so. There are members of the Leadership team on both gates so the children are safe.
- If you are dropping your child off please drop them as quickly as possible and then leave immediately.
- When you are collecting your child, please wait as far back as possible from the doors, whilst maintaining distance from each other, as this makes it easier for the teaching teams to see you and send your children out quickly.

Distance Learning

It is likely that during the course of this year your child will need to learn from home. We have made arrangements for this to happen through the following:

- If your child is sent home from school with Covid symptoms, they will be provided with a pack. Please return to school with work in the purple book.
- If your child does not attend school due to Covid symptoms, please go to [FVA Word Press](#). The links to work are currently on the Covid Related Absence page. Work can be sent back using the year group emails. We will check if you have access to technology to support this.

Reminder: If your child shows following symptoms:

- **a high temperature** – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature). A normal temperature is 36.5 -37 degrees centigrade.
- **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

Please **do not** bring them to school. Please let the school know, saying they have Covid 19 symptoms. **Everyone** in the same family will need to self- isolate.

If your child shows these symptoms in school, we will call you to pick them and their sibling/siblings up immediately. Your child will be isolated until this happens.

Next steps:

1. Book a test on the NHS website
2. Wait for result before talking to us about a return to school.

Test result:

- If the test is negative (your child does not have Covid 19) and they feel well, **talk with us** about a return to school.
- If the test is negative but they feel unwell, your child must stay at home until they feel better.
- If the test is positive (showing your child has Covid 19), inform the school **immediately** as the school will need to take appropriate action.

Colds and upset tummies:

- If your child has an upset stomach (sickness and diarrhoea), please do not bring them into school for 48 hours after the last symptom is shown.
- If your child has a cold, but you feel they are well enough to come to school **and they do not present any of the symptoms above**, they are able to attend.

Best wishes



Dr. Saunders

A quick guide to Covid 19 guidance around attending school can be found here [Quick Guide](#)