



METROPOLITAN BOROUGH OF CALDERDALE

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### Important Information – 17 September 2020

It continues to be a pleasure to be back in school and pupils and staff have settled well into the new routines. As children return to settings after the prolonged break, colds and similar viral infections are likely to circulate.

Children with simple cold symptoms such as runny noses or sore throats **without fever**, who would normally have attended school in other times, should not be tested for COVID-19, and can attend school if they feel well enough to do so.

Anyone with any of the three main symptoms of COVID-19 should stay at home and arrange testing. These symptoms are:

- high temperature **and/or**
- new continuous cough **and/or**
- loss or change to sense of taste or smell

We are aware that children with COVID-19 symptoms are being turned away from local test sites as they struggle to cope with demand. Advice from Public Health is to keep trying to book a test, as more tests do become available throughout the day at: <https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test>.

If anyone is unable to get a test within the first 5 days of presenting with symptoms, they must self-isolate for 10 days (and other household members for 14 days).

#### **Should a child develop symptoms whilst at school, they will be sent home as soon as possible.**

Parents/carers will be contacted and the pupil will be supervised in a separate area whilst awaiting collection. **They should then self-isolate for 10 days and their fellow household members should self-isolate for 14 days. This means that any siblings who are in school will also be sent home.**

Once the symptomatic child is tested and it is negative, they can return to school and the fellow household members can end their self-isolation. If the test is positive, the child must keep self-isolating for 10 days from when the symptoms started. For other household members, including siblings, the self-isolation period is 14 days.

In the event of a bubble closure, remote learning will begin the day after the bubble has closed. This will include a daily English and Maths lesson as well as a range of cross-curricular activities all of which will be accessed via '2email' on Purple Mash. Teachers will also host regular tutorials using Microsoft Teams where children will be able to receive feedback and ask questions about their work.

As Purple Mash will continue to be our main platform for home learning it is vital that your child continues to log on regularly and becomes more familiar with the activities as we will set '2Dos' for a range of subjects. We will continue to use Purple Mash in school to assist with this and also set short, simple tasks for homework.

If your child has to self isolate but their year group is still in school, they will have access to a range of Maths, English and cross-curricular activities each week via '2email' on Purple Mash.

