# **Covid Update**

As you will be aware, the latest variant is causing some concerns and in response to this, and on the advice of the DfE, we have made some changes in school:

**Reintroduced face masks for staff** in communal areas. This does not extend to outside of the building as the guidance states 'Face coverings do not need to be worn outside.' Children are still not required to wear face coverings

There have been some slight **changes to guidance from NHS Test and Trace**, the guidance now states:

- all individuals who have been identified as a close contact of a suspected or confirmed case of the Omicron variant of COVID 19, irrespective of vaccination status and age, will be contacted directly and required to self-isolate immediately (10days) and asked to book a PCR
- they will be informed by the local health protection team or NHS Test and Trace if they fall into this category and provided details about self-isolation.

**Early Years Nativities** will continue as planned, in the school hall, with increased ventilation and CO2 monitors. We have issued tickets to limit numbers and those without tickets will not be able to attend-apologies. Please do not attend if you feel unwell, wear a mask, use hand sanitiser and take a Lateral Flow test prior to attending thank you.

• Parents are invited to join us outside for end of term Carols for Year One and Two (see overleaf for details)

### Can we please ask all those wishing to attend to:

- Not attend if you are feeling unwell
- Please wear a mask even though we are outside. We are anticipating sizeable numbers
- Please socially distance on site
- Take a lateral flow test prior to attending

#### Thank you for your support

## This Week's Congratulations go to:

<u>Ash Class</u>— **Danny** you have been working so hard in the construction area. You have had fantastic ideas about how to keep your model balanced and standing strong. Keep it up.

<u>Elm Class-</u> **Felicity** for her fabulous reading. She is working hard on her phase 3 sounds and has a real enthusiasm for reading which is wonderful to see. Well done.

Oak Class-Avaylah you made lovely detailed shape pictures in the creative area and persevered to cut out even though you found this challenging

<u>Palm Class</u> — **Vidhyuth** for being an amazing artist this week. You have used tints and tones to make your favourite colour lighter. Well done.

<u>Hazel Class</u>—Isla you tried really hard to learn and practise the skill of lashing at forest school. You created a snowflake by fixing 3 sticks together with string. Well done.

<u>Willow Class</u>—**Brooke** for being a kind and caring friend to everyone in Willow Class. We can always rely on Brooke to make the right choices every single day. What a fantastic role model you are.

Chestnut Class—Skyla for being the first person to score checkmate at Chess Club.

<u>Hawthorn Class</u>— Caleb practised his words for the nativity play. He has used fabulous expression and has been the most sensible and mature boy.

Sycamore Class—Nye you have tried hard with adding ten in maths. Well done.

### **WELL DONE EVERYONE!**

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

3rd December 2021 to 9th December 2021

Nicholas in Palm will be 6

Adelaide-Grace in Willow will be 6

Jenson in Chestnut will be 7