



# Leigh and Bransford Primary School

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## **Return to school 29/02/22**

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you all experienced a safe and enjoyable half term break together.

We are looking forward to what we hope is a more normal half term than the last as the threat of COVID-19 recedes. With this in mind we are planning a lot of activities for our pupils to enjoy as well as looking for opportunities to get parents back into school. However, we are also keenly focussed on ensuring that the education of our pupils does not get interrupted by illness to them or to the school staff they rely on. Additionally we will continue to do everything we can to keep our pupils and staff safe, some of whom are vulnerable.

We are hoping to start the new half term COVID-19 free, and with this in mind would request that you do a lateral flow test today or in the morning to make sure that nobody enters school tomorrow with COVID-19.

During the break the Department for Education and Public Health guidance for management of and protection against COVID-19 changed, with new guidance being released on 24th February.

For primary schools, much of the operational guidance has remained very similar to previous publications, but of course there have some major changes to national COVID-19 policy. I would urge everyone to follow the general advice below which is from the latest guidance:

“There is no longer a legal requirement for people with coronavirus (COVID-19) infection to self-isolate, however if you have any of the main symptoms of COVID-19 or a positive test result, the public health advice is to stay at home and avoid contact with other people.”

Please see: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-people-with-covid-19-and-their-contacts/covid-19-people-with-covid-19-and-their-contacts>

If this advice is adhered to we will have the best possible opportunity to keep the education of our pupils running effectively and smoothly.

Many thanks as always for your support.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Bill

(Headteacher)