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Changes to measures and guidance for managing COVID-19 in education and childcare settings from Friday 1 April

With many changes to guidance again, we wanted to help clarify **current** procedures if your child is displaying symptoms or tests positive for Covid-19.

Updated guidance from Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, Sajid Javid:

- Adults with the symptoms of a respiratory infection, and who have a high temperature or feel unwell, should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people until they feel well enough to resume normal activities and they no longer have a high temperature
- Children and young people who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people. They can go back to school, college or childcare when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend
- Adults with a positive COVID-19 test result should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 5 days, which is when they are most infectious. For children and young people aged 18 and under, the advice will be 3 days

The population now has much stronger protection against COVID-19 than at any other point in the pandemic. This means we can begin to manage the virus like other respiratory infections, thanks to the success of the vaccination programme and access to antivirals, alongside natural immunity and increased scientific and public understanding about how to manage risk.

As always, please inform school as soon as possible if your child is unwell or if they test positive. Contact details: telephone 01904 552225 or email: wiggintonprimary.school@york.gov.uk

Yours sincerely

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