

Our Kensington Avenue Primary News

KENSINGTON AVENUE PRIMARY SCHOOL
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Test and Trace

One important part of ensuring the safety and wellbeing of pupils, parents and our communities is testing for coronavirus. We all have a duty to make sure that the right people have access to get tested at the right time. Every time a test is used inappropriately, a person with Covid-19 symptoms may miss out on getting tested.

Therefore, I ask that you all follow these principles:

You should only book a test if your child has any of these three coronavirus symptoms:

1. **a high temperature:** any new high temperature where your child feels hot to touch on their chest or back (you do not need to measure the temperature)
 2. **a new continuous cough:** coughing a lot for more than an hour, or three or more coughing episodes in 24 hours
 3. **a loss of, or change in, sense of smell or taste:** a noticeable loss of smell or taste or things smell and taste different to normal
- ◆ Your child **does not need a test** if they have a runny nose, are sneezing or feeling unwell but do not have a temperature, cough or loss of, or change in, sense of smell or taste because these are not normally symptoms of coronavirus.
 - ◆ If you are unsure about whether to get a test, please check the official list of symptoms on the NHS website, which is reviewed regularly:
www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/symptoms/
 - ◆ Only the person with symptoms should get a test. You do not need to get a test for anyone else in the household unless they also have any of the three symptoms listed above. All members of the household need to self-isolate whilst waiting for the test result.
 - ◆ If the person with symptoms' test comes back positive, other members of their household should continue self-isolating for 14 days and **only get a test if they develop coronavirus symptoms.**
 - ◆ If a pupil in a class or bubble tests positive for coronavirus, anyone who is advised to self-isolate **does not require a test unless they subsequently develop symptoms.**

No one else in the same class or bubble as the symptomatic person needs to take any action unless advised by the school. Schools have detailed guidance and access to a Department for Education and Public Health England helpline for advice and support. Contacts of a person who has tested positive must follow the guidance carefully and in full, which means they must stay at home for 14 days. This is because it can take several days following contact with an infected person before an individual develops symptoms or the virus can be detected. Students should only book a test if they get symptoms.

The NHS has produced some guidance which you may find useful:

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/healthy-body/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

It is vital for children's learning and future opportunities that they are able to return to school and college. It is therefore vitally important that all we work together and do our bit to make this possible.

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Zig Zag Lines...

Yellow zig zag road markings are placed to show that the area must be kept clear to allow an unrestricted view for approaching drivers, cyclists or children wanting to cross the road.

We ask parents **not to wait or park** on these lines or across out neighbours driveways, for the safety of all the children at the school. It may take a few extra minutes to park up safely, but it helps ensure the safety of all the children by reducing congestion and enabling visibility.



IMPORTANT DIARY DATES

5 October

- Inset Day, school closed for pupils

26-30 October

- Half Term Break

30 November

- Inset Day, school closed for pupils

18 December

- Break up for Christmas holidays

School milk scheme

Our school provides a milk scheme that is available to all of our pupils and we would like to invite you to register your child. School milk is free for under-5s, and for over-5s it is available at a subsidised price.

Each child that registers with Cool Milk will receive a 189ml portion of semi-skimmed milk every day, delivered fresh to the classroom.

How to register

If your child is under five:

Register online at www.coolmilk.com or complete a registration form available from the school office. Register by a Tuesday at 5pm for your child's free milk to start the following week.

Free milk will continue until the Friday before your child's fifth birthday. You will receive a payment request four weeks before their birthday - if you wish your child to continue to receive

school milk, simply make a payment

If your child is five or older:

Register and pay online at www.coolmilk.com

Alternatively, fill in a registration form available from the school office – once Cool Milk has processed your form, you will receive a payment request. You can pay Cool Milk either online, over the phone or at a local PayPoint in half-termly, termly or annual instalments.

Please pay by a Tuesday at 5pm for your child's milk to start the following week.

If you have any questions regarding school milk please visit www.coolmilk.com or contact Cool Milk directly on 0800 321 3248. More information on milk is also available from the school.

** Milk for under-5s is provided free of charge, fully funded by the Department of Health. Milk for over-5s is subsidised by the Rural Payments Agency and the E.U.*



Dietary and Medical Information

It is important for your child's safety while at school that we have the most up to date dietary and medical information on our system.

Please notify the office if:

- your child is vegetarian, unable to have the meat option or has any food allergies.
- if your child has a medical

condition/need you feel the school should know about. Please also supply any paperwork relating to the condition/need for their pupil file.

If you are unsure what is already on the system for your child, please come in to the office and we will check for you.



Free School Meals

If your child is eligible for 'free school meals' and you register them for this, the school will receive extra funding called 'pupil premium'. We use this extra money to improve the educational provision and resources at the school.

Is my child eligible for free school meals?

Your child might be eligible if you access:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance or Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on
- Universal Credit, provided you have an annual net earned income not exceeding £7,400 (£616.67 per month)

Does my child have to eat the free school meals?

No. Pupils who are registered for free school meals don't have to eat them.

If you're eligible but you want your child to have packed lunches you should still register because the school will receive the funding which can support your child in other ways.

How do I check if my child is eligible?

Check now by going to the main page of our school website to find the Free School Meal Checker.

