

Greenhead CE Primary



School Newsletter

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COVID UPDATE

As the rules around COVID testing have changed once again I attach the updated (as at 17/01/2022) flowchart for your information/assistance.

We always recommend checking the gov.uk website for up to date guidance.

Home school learning – Covid isolation

Please note that we are not sending work home for children to complete if they have tested positive for Covid and are isolating.
If they can just keep up with regular reading if they feel up to it that is fine.

In this week's newsletter:

- Covid update
- Homeschool learning – covid isolation
- Stars of the Week
- Learning Achievements
- Class 3 Lockerbie trip instalment reminder
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ATTACHMENT:
Covid update flowchart



STARS OF THE WEEK



Reception:

Briar - For showing kindness and caring for the other children in her class.
On Tuesday afternoon, another child in class didn't manage to find any of the nocturnal animals outside. Briar quickly gave her one she had collected so she didn't feel left out. Well done Briar. You are a star!

Class 1: Jasper for showing confidence within his swimming lesson.

Class 2: Conan for an excellent understanding of the different types of sentences!

Class 3: Year 5- Jessie, for great efforts in her work!
Year 6- Connor, for sharing his impressive knowledge shared during our allotment trip.

Head Teacher award

Elliott for excellent listening skills during swimming-well done!
Tommy for settling into our Greenhead family so well!

LEARNING ACHIEVEMENTS

RECEPTION

We've had another super week in reception.

In Maths, we've been looking at hidden amounts. We've been using 5 hedgehogs and working out how many are hiding when we can only see some of them. The children have also been looking at mass and comparing heavier and lighter objects. They used these skills as a class to make and compare playdough. In literacy, we've continued with our phonics, revising the sounds th ch sh and ng. We've innovated on our Peace at Last story, creating a class story about Olive Owl who is trying to sleep in school during the day..... but it's too noisy!

We've looked at our bedtime routine, and focused on the importance of brushing our teeth. We did an experiment putting boiled eggs in different drinks to see what happened to the shell. We found that the shell changed colour and parts peeled off when there was a lot of sugar.

Our Pyjama Party was a lot of fun. The children explored the moon and stars, had a go at being different night time workers and went camping to look for nocturnal animals outside.

CLASS 1

This week we have been learning new facts about the Queen to create our own information text. We have started to explore deciduous and evergreen trees and looked in the local area for some examples of each of the trees.

In RE we have been learning about what happens during the Jewish festival of Sukkot.

CLASS 2

This week the children have been working hard on their non-chronological reports. Miss Callaghan is immensely proud of how hard everyone has been working and she cannot wait to read them and learn all about the layers of the earth. The children have also learned about fossils and how they are formed. As part of our work on fossils, the children looked at a variety of sources and learned about the work of Mary Anning.

Our Maths lessons have focused on times tables and using these facts to calculate with larger numbers. It is fantastic to see everyone continuing to learn their times tables at home too!

In our science lesson this week, the children explored forces and found the points of contact between two objects.

CLASS 3

This week we had a fantastic time visiting the Hexham Quatre Bras Allotments. The children looked around the different patches, discussed the various plants and trees that were and had been growing. We were lucky enough to hold a chicken and listen to information from allotment owners including Miss Mitchell! Thank you to Miss Mitchell for accommodating us and sharing your knowledge and expertise with the children.

In English the children have been drafting and editing their Non-Chronological Allotment reports, some are beginning to word process in order to produce a professional report, adding images from our visit.

In Maths, year 5 have been working on Multiplication and division using a range of methods!

Year 6 children have been multiplying and dividing decimal numbers by 10,100 and 1000! Well done, your problem solving skills involving this were impressive!

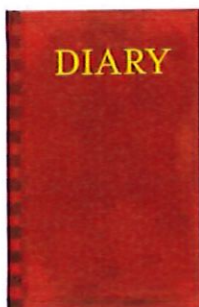
In Science we have been studying mammals and the five key mammalian characteristics. The children completed labelled diagrams and written work including key topic vocabulary! They even created their own mammal creatures!

REMINDER FOR CLASS 3 LOCKERBIE TRIP

Just a reminder that the first instalment for our Class 3 Lockerbie Trip in July is due by 31st January 2022.

This week's attendance

Reception	96%
Year 1	79%
Year 2	72%
Year 3	90%
Year 4	94%
Year 5	63%
Year 6	84%
Overall	84%



Diary Dates:

- PE with NUFC each Monday
- Commando Joe's each Wednesday
- From 11th January - KS1 Swimming until Easter
- From 12th January – Year 6 SATs club 3pm-4pm with Mrs Fairless
- **4th February** - Bikeability Level 1; Years 3 and 4
- **7th February** – Reception class eye tests
- **8th February** - Safer Internet Day
- **10th February** - Kielder Observatory in school visit (more details to follow)
- **11th February** - Lego Workshop in school
- **18th February** – Break up for Half Term

Mrs Hancock & Miss Reynolds menu

(please note this menu may be subject to change)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Chicken Curry, couscous & naan bread	Cooked Ham with Hash Browns	Cheesy Shepherds Pie	Sausage, mash and gravy	Chicken goujons, potato crispers and beans
OR				
Jacket Potato with filling	Macaroni Cheese	Chicken baguette	Tortilla wrap with filling and salad	Pasta
WITH				
Carrot sticks Cucumber sticks	Beans	Peas or Beetroot	Baby carrots	Beans
Shortcake biscuit and fruit juice	Steamed jam sponge and custard	Angel Delight	Flapjack	Raspberry ripple ice cream
Fresh fruit and yogurt available daily				

Yours

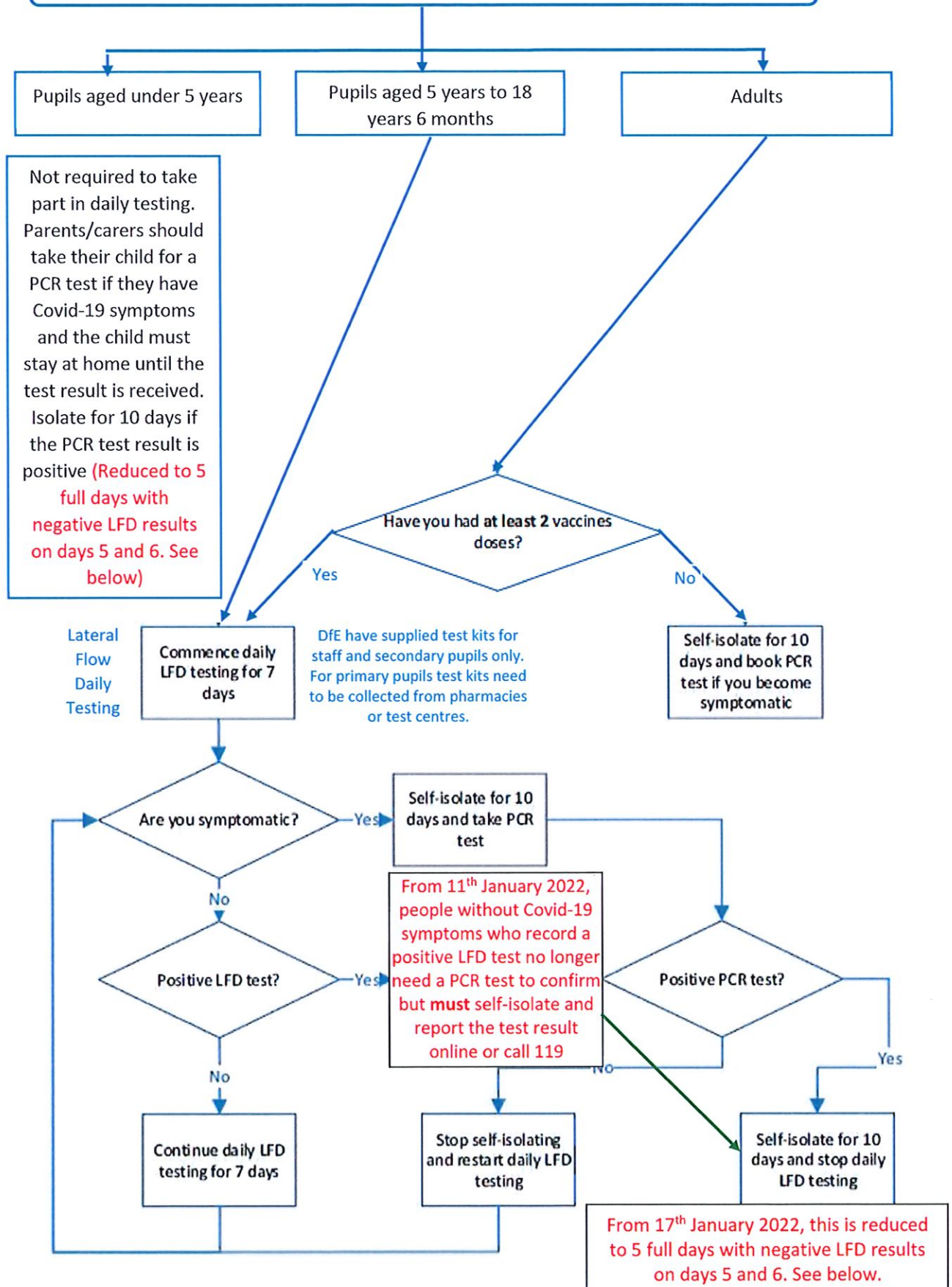
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CLASS 3 VISIT TO QUATRE BRAS ALLOTMENTS IN HEXHAM



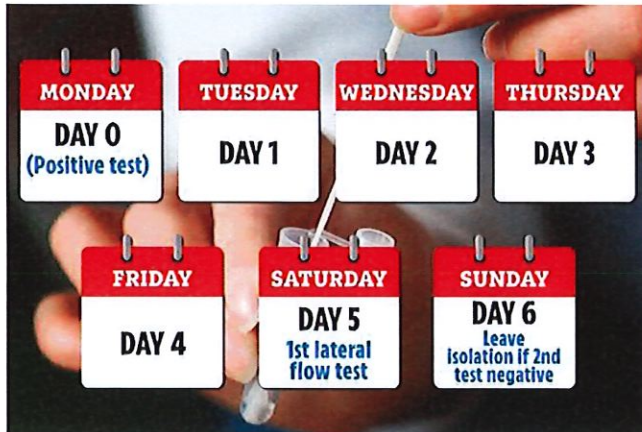
Self-isolation and testing requirements in schools from 17/01/22

Close contact of someone with Covid-19 (Notified by NHS Test & Trace)

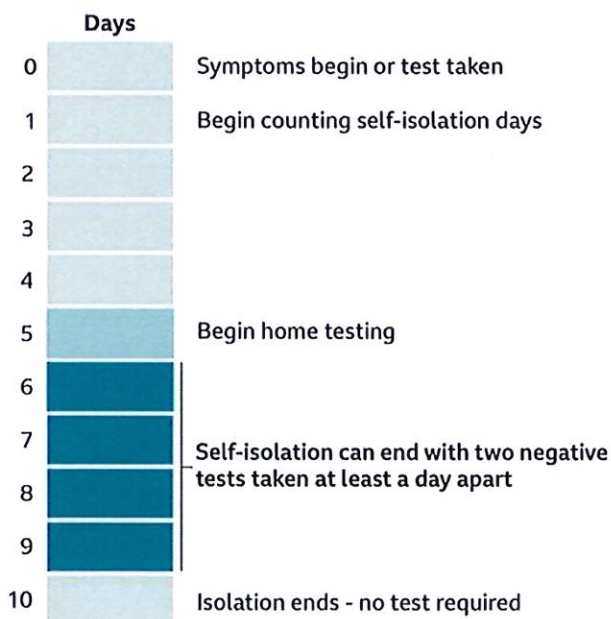


Ending self-isolation early using LFD tests (Updated from 17th January 2022 onwards)

It is now possible to end self-isolation after 5 full days if you have 2 negative LFD tests taken on consecutive days. The first LFD test should not be taken before the fifth day after your symptoms started (or the day your test was taken if you did not have symptoms). The self-isolation period remains 10 full days for those without negative results from 2 LFD tests taken a day apart.



How five-day isolation rule works in England



Source: NHS

BBC