




Dear Parents/Carers

A quick update: The DfE has published updated guidance for schools following the Prime Minister's announcement on Saturday evening of a second national lockdown. Along with The Elliot foundation, we will closely consider the implications of any changes in guidance and will update you as soon as possible if we make any changes to the current arrangements in school. I would also like to remind you of the new start and end times to the school day:

Children start times	Children finish times
YN , 8:30am	YN , 3:30pm
RF, 1J, 1M, IP, RB1, RB2 - 8:40am	RF, 1J, 1M, IP, RB1, RB2 - 3:00 pm
RL, RM 8:45am	RL, RM 3:05 pm
2C, 2H, 3O, 3M - 8:45 am	2C, 2H, 3O, 3M - 3:05 pm
6H, 6B, 6S, 5S - 8:50am	6H, 6B, 6S, 5S - 3:10pm
4L, 4B, 4J - 8:55 am	4L, 4B, 4J - 3:15 pm
5M, 5C, 2T, 3C - 9:00 am	5M, 5C, 2T, 3C - 3:20pm

Thank you for your continued support
Mr Rogerson

 **INSPIRE** our children to succeed

 **CREATE** excitement for learning

 **ACHIEVE EXCELLENCE**

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

W/C MONDAY 16 NOVEMBER

ANTI BULLYING WEEK

RECEPTION CLASS SEPTEMBER 2021

Parents/Carers who have a child who was born between

1 September 2016 and **31 August 2017** need to make an application for their child to start Reception

Class in **September 2021** by no later than

15 January 2021. The quickest and easiest way to make an application is

online at www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions or by contacting 0121 303 1888

Please note applications should be sent directly to the Admissions Office and NOT to school.

ATTENDANCE

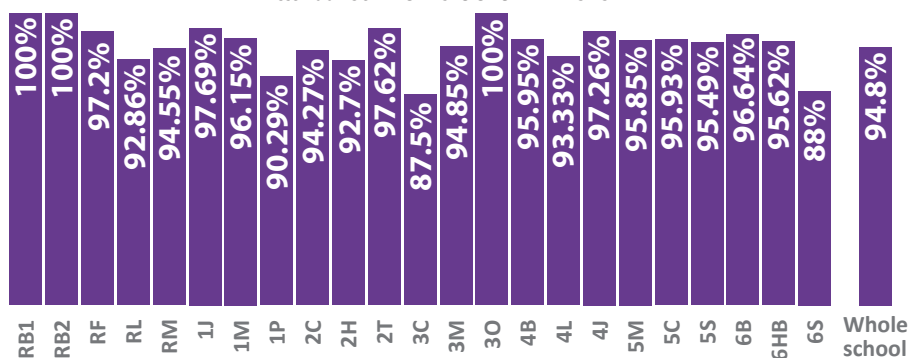
NO DAYS LOST	10 DAYS LOST	19 DAYS LOST	29 DAYS LOST THE SAME AS HALF A TERM!	38 DAYS LOST	47 DAYS LOST
100%	95%	90%	85%	80%	75%
190 days of education	180 days of education	171 days of education	161 days of education	152 days of education	143 days of education
GOOD Best chance of success - get your child off to a flying start	WORRYING Less chance of success. Makes it harder for your child to progress.		SERIOUS CONCERN COURT ACTION AND FINES		

Are you interested in working for us as a Midday Supervisor? If so please see **our website** or ask in the school office.

TERM DATES

BREAK UP	RETURN TO SCHOOL
FRIDAY 18 DEC	TUESDAY 5 JAN
FRIDAY 12 FEB	MONDAY 22 FEB
THURSDAY 1 APR	TUESDAY 20 APR
FRIDAY 28 MAY	MONDAY 7 JUNE
WEDNESDAY 21 JULY	
PLEASE NOTE:	
MONDAY 4 JAN 2021 SCHOOL CLOSED	TEACHER TRAINING DAY
MONDAY 19 APR 2021 SCHOOL CLOSED	TEACHER TRAINING DAY

Attendance W.C. 19 OCTOBER 2020



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STARS OF THE WEEK

Class	Name	Reason	Mathematician of the week
RF	Abhiraj S G	Abhiraj consistently works his hardest in all areas of learning, challenging and pushing himself when he feels it necessary! Keep up your amazing attitude towards your learning - You are a true star!	Haniya Q
RL	Amber Marie H	Amber has been trying exceptionally hard across all areas of learning, especially in phonics. She enjoys exploring the learning environment provision, particularly the creative and small world areas. We are proud of the choices Amber is making everyday, keep up the good work Amber!	Abu H T
RM	Precious S	Precious is an absolute superstar. She comes to school everyday with a big smile on her face and she is always ready to learn. Precious always tries her best and has made outstanding progress in phonics. Keep up the good work!	Jayden S
1J	Aarohi P	Aarohi has made amazing progress in maths. She can draw numbers to 50 using her knowledge of tens and ones and find one more or less than a given number. Keep it up!	Karson S
1M	Rufaida S	Rufaida has had a brilliant start to this half term. Her hand is always raised to contribute her fantastic thoughts and ideas within lessons. Rufaida is also becoming much more independent, completing questions in her book all by herself. Keep it up Rufaida - well done!	Athena F
1P	Jessica B	Jessica has settled amazingly well into school since half term. She is more focused during lessons and is completing her work. We are really proud of you.	Rahma B
2T	Rumaisa F	Rumaisa is our star of the week because she has an outstanding positive attitude towards bot learning and making new friends. Rumaisa has supported our new class member Ameerah and has shown what it means to be a great friend.	Aahid S
2H	Qayim J	Qayim is new to Billesley and has settled in extremely well! He comes into school each day with a huge smile on his face ready to learn. Qayim has really impressed us in maths this week with his super reasoning and problem solving. Well done Qayim, we are so proud of you! Keep it up!	Eduard-Nicolas B
2C	Patricia B	Patricia has been chosen as our star of the week because of her hardworking attitude and enthusiastic approach to her learning. This week she has tried very hard in our maths lessons and was able to solve problems and reason about addition with confidence. Well done!	Eliza H
3C	Kallum G	There are so many reasons I could give for choosing Kallum as Star of the Week! Kallum is so kind and caring of others - it is a pleasure to have him in our class. Kallum has been working super hard on Google Classroom this week - engaging in all of his lessons and working extra hard on his handwriting. I am so proud of you Kallum! Keep being a star!	Inaaya H
3O	Ismael S	Ismael has had an excellent start to this half term. He is focused, keen and committed to his learning. Keep up the excellent attitude!	Muhammed M A
3M	Laila C	Laila is a pleasure to have in the classroom and has settled in well. She is a great example of being helpful and kind and a real asset to our class. We're so glad you came back Laila!	Huzaima A
4J	Destiny S	For such a positive return to school! She is engaging with her learning and using mature techniques to ensure that she avoids situations that she knows will cause her upset. Well Done!! We are so proud of you!	Rhys-James M
4B	Holly Q	Holly has had an amazing start back after half term and has shown us how well she can behave! We love when Holly follows instructions first time and is kind to her classmates. Well done Holly keep it up!	Avneet B
4L	Samuel C	What a hard working young man Samuel is and what an improvement in his attitude to his learning. He has fantastic ideas and loves sharing his thoughts with the rest of the class. Keep on working hard Samuel, you are a true shining star.	Nuuh M
5C	Jessica R	Jessica has returned this term with a positive, confident and enthusiastic approach to work and school life in general. Well done Jessica, keep it up!	Rahim A
5S	Callum W	Callum works hard in all lessons. He is a great mathematician and has really impressed me in our Monday morning PE workouts every week with his enthusiasm. Keep up this positive attitude Callum - you are an asset to 5S.	Ayman A-H
5M	Sama R A	Sama is bursting with positivity lately. She is trying very hard in all aspects of learning- answering question, asking questions, and sharing ideas. Keep it up Sama.	Paramveer S
6HB	Shaima A	What a fantastic start Shaima has had to this year! She always comes into school with a smile on her face and a positive attitude, showing that she is ready to learn! Keep it up Shaima.	Daniel L
6B	Amalia P	I have been so impressed with the way in which Amalia has stepped up her contributions in my lessons this week. Her hand is always up and she is always thinking hard! Super proud of you Amalia!	Huzaiyfah A
6S	Harry P	Harry has had a fantastic start back this half term particularly in maths. He is producing excellent reasoning answers that are clear and concise. He is also using his knowledge to support and guide his peers when working on similar problems. Keep it up, Harry!	Bohan L
RB	Pola N	Pola is doing an amazing job settling into the Resource Base! She is working really hard every day and is becoming very confident with the rules and routines of the class. Pola is a pleasure to have in the base. We love it when she sings to us and when she makes us laugh.	Noah C

PE LESSONS

Following lockdown we felt that PE was a vital component of school life that needed to be prioritised, so this first half term our PE curriculum and lessons have been fantastic. Following strict Covid 19 procedures we have been able to incorporate equipment and practices in our lessons that have helped keep our children both safe and physically active. Children all come to school on PE days in their PE kit. Basketballs, footballs, tennis rackets and tennis balls have been purchased to allow each child to have their own piece of equipment to work with. Teachers have delivered high quality and effective activities to teach skills, and the children have shown real engagement and excitement towards PE. In the mornings during PE days the children also take part in 30 minutes of fitness activities for example; Circuits, Boxercise, Interval training and jogging around our 400m track. All fun, high intensity activities.



BIKE TO SCHOOL WEEK

Bike to School Week is a week-long event across the UK to showcase the many benefits of cycling to school. It takes place from 28 September to 2 October 2020. Billesley did a week long event in which the children recorded each day they came into school on their bike or scooter, children that did four out of the five days were entered into a prize draw to win some Halford's vouchers. On the Friday of that week we also did a whole school cycling challenge in which all the children who had any kind of wheels in school had an hour to complete as many 50 metre circuits that they could. Some children collected sponsorship for this event and raised £120. The children overall achieved 155 miles throughout the day.



BOOK WEEK

Before the half term break, we celebrated book week in fantastic style! Each class explored their picture using a range of activities such as conscience alley, artwork and hot seating! Pupils acted out scenes from their picture book and really did walk in the character's shoes! Not only that, pupils across the school worked tirelessly to complete Mr Tyler's 'Book Week Challenges'! Transforming classrooms into reading paradises, reviewing their chosen picture book, learning poems off by heart... and many more challenges were completed! Congratulations to 2H, 3O and 6B who were the overall winners - they were rewarded with ice lollies and new books for their reading corner! Who will win next time?



WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING IN YEAR 1?

Year 1 have come back from half term with lots of enthusiasm for their learning. In Maths, they have been learning to add and subtract one more or less from numbers. In English, we are beginning our new writing topic on animal reports. This week we are going to be writing a report on Foxes. Ask us the facts we know! Year 1 has been very excited about the launch of our new topic in science - Animals. In their provocation lesson and in provision they have been sharing their animal knowledge with their peers. The children have also been writing questions about a picture of a man who is linked to our Humanities topic - The Great Fire of London. I wonder who it is?



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ACTION CALENDAR: NEW WAYS NOVEMBER 2020



SUNDAY

- 1 Make a list of new things you want to do this month
- 8 Find out something new about someone you care about
- 15 Go outside and do something playful - walk, run, explore, relax
- 22 Find a new way to tell someone you appreciate them
- 29 Discover your artistic side. Design your own greeting cards

MONDAY

- 2 Respond to a difficult situation in a different way
- 9 Plan a new activity or idea you want to try out this week
- 16 Look at life through someone else's eyes and see their perspective
- 23 Set aside a regular time to pursue an activity you love
- 30 Look for reasons to be hopeful, even in difficult times

TUESDAY

- 3 Get outside and observe the changes in nature around you
- 10 When you feel you can't do something, add the word "yet"
- 17 Try a new way to practice self-care and be kind to yourself
- 24 Share with a friend something helpful you learned recently

WEDNESDAY

- 4 Sign up to join a new course, activity or online community
- 11 Be curious. Learn about a new topic or an inspiring idea
- 18 Connect with someone from a different generation
- 25 Use one of your strengths in a new or creative way

THURSDAY

- 5 Change your normal routine today and notice how you feel
- 12 Overcome a frustration by trying out a new approach
- 19 Broaden your perspective: read a different paper, magazine or site
- 26 Tune in to a different radio station or TV channel

FRIDAY

- 6 Give yourself a boost. Try a new way of being physically active
- 13 Choose a different route and see what you notice on the way
- 20 Make a meal using a recipe or ingredient you've not tried before
- 27 Enjoy new music today. Play, sing, dance or listen

SATURDAY

- 7 Be creative. Cook, draw, write, paint, make or inspire
- 14 Find a new way to help or support a cause you care about
- 21 Learn a new skill from a friend or share one of yours with them
- 28 Join a friend doing their hobby and find out why they love it



"You never know what you can do until you try" ~ C. S. Lewis



ACTION FOR HAPPINESS



www.actionforhappiness.org

Learn more about this month's theme at www.actionforhappiness.org/new-ways-november

Keep Calm · Stay Wise · Be Kind

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Strike9T Wildcats Girls Football Centres from the FA

To inspire girls aged between
5 - 11 to be involved in
football.

S9T Wildcats Girls Football
Centres provide girls with
regular opportunities to play
football and participate in
organised sessions in a fun and
engaging environment.

Sessions will be based at:
Moseley School Sports Centre
Returns from Saturday 12th
September 2020



Just £10 per month

Saturdays @Moseley School
Sports Centre
10am- 11am
Springfield Road B13 9NP

Reserve a place, email us at:
Info@strike9training.co.uk



COMMUNITY FOOD BOX FRIDAY 8.30-10am @ The House

For further details ask Sarah Butler



ASD PARENTAL SUPPORT SESSIONS

Tues 10 Nov 1-2.30pm for 6 weeks.
(you do not need to attend every one)

Sessions run via Teams. A link will be sent to your
email address and your mobile the day before

Run by Anne Seymour from the
Communication and Autism team.
Parenting support for children
with ASD or ASD traits

Parent support in areas such as behaviour,
sensory support, hygiene and time for you to
talk about your concerns about your child.

For further information please speak to Sarah Butler and
register your interest at the school office

I, am interested in
attending the course via Teams.

Email :

Mobile:

My child: class.....



From Birmingham with Love



We've all been through a tough time with Covid-19 and lockdown. For many families it doesn't get easier during the summer holidays, which is why we're here to help. Here are some of our partners' most used services and support, which might make life a little bit easier...



1. **Online parenting course.** We've pre-paid for every parent in Birmingham to access a [parenting course](#). Just enter the access code "COMMUNITY" at the top of the page to claim. There are courses for parents, carers and grandparents of children from bump to 19. Learn about how your child develops, and get tips to manage their behaviour.



2. **Mental health support.** In these difficult times we have to look after our mental health. For young people aged 11-25 there are forums, guides and counselling available at [Kooth](#). If your child 0-25 needs support, get in touch with Pause by calling 0207 841 4470 or [email](#). Adults can get support from [MIND](#) by calling 0121 262 3555. Or for urgent help call [Forward Thinking Birmingham](#) on 0300 300 0099.



3. **Financial help.** If you've lost your job, or are struggling for food or rent there are services that can help. [Local welfare provision](#) can make a big difference if you are in a crisis and need food, fuel or basic white goods. [Discretionary Housing Payments](#) may be able to help with rent. And there are [food banks](#) across Birmingham that are here to help.



4. **Domestic abuse.** For women and children affected by domestic abuse please see [guidance](#) or confidentially contact [Birmingham and Solihull Women's Aid](#). For Men, please contact [Respect](#).



5. **Problems with drugs or alcohol.** A new, discrete app called Staying Free is available on Android or Apple. Use the code "birmingham11" for pre-paid access. To speak to someone call [Change Grow Live](#).



6. **Bereavement support.** It's a terrible time to lose a loved one — you can get help by calling 0121 687 8010 or from [Cruse](#).



7. **Early help for families.** If anyone in your family needs more help, from public services or community groups, then please contact our [voluntary sector local leads](#). We have ten areas which can connect you to support across the city.

If you are worried about a child, please call Birmingham's Children's Advice and Support Service on 0121 303 1888. In an emergency, including child abuse, contact the Police on 999. You can also [chat](#) to the Police.



Chat, play, read
three simple ways to
give your child the
best start in life

National
Literacy
Trust

**BIRMINGHAM
STORIES**



**Chatting, playing and reading with
your child will make them happy and
give them the best start in life**

The National Literacy Trust is a registered charity no. 1116260
(England and Wales) and SC042944 (Scotland).

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COVID 19

What you must do

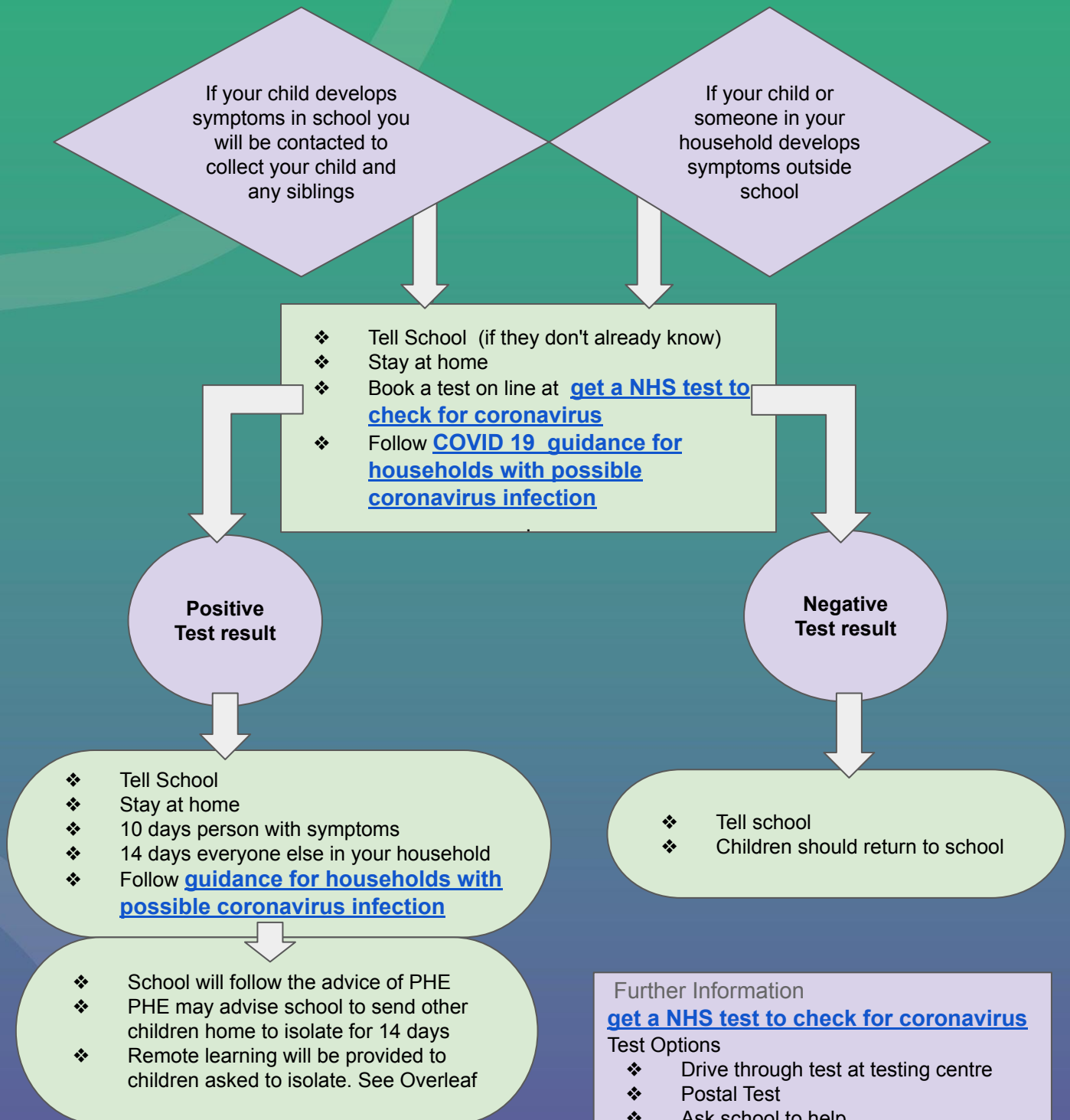
Symptoms

- high temperature,
- repeated and persistent cough,
- loss of smell or taste.

For more information go to

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/symptoms/coronavirus-in-children/>

**Do not send your child to school
if they or anyone in your household have symptoms of COVID 19**



Further Information

[get a NHS test to check for coronavirus](#)

Test Options

- ❖ Drive through test at testing centre
- ❖ Postal Test
- ❖ Ask school to help

See overleaf for more detailed information

Getting a test

- Book a test as soon as possible <https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test>
- Order a home test kit if you can not get to a test site <https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test>
- If you are ordering a home test kit do it by 3pm
- **IF YOU NEED SUPPORT ORDERING A TEST, YOU MUST SPEAK TO THE SCHOOL**

Test Centre

You can get a test at a walk- in centre or by booking a test through the [NHS website](#)

You should avoid using public transport if you, or your child, are displaying symptoms of Coronavirus

Home Tests

- **YOU CAN ORDER A HOME TEST VIA** <https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test>
- **Guidance** on taking a home test is **included with the test**
- The test involves taking a swab of the inside of your nose and the back of your throat using a long cotton bud.
- Primary School children **must not** take the test themselves. It must be taken by a **parent, guardian or trusted adult.**
- **POST YOUR TEST IN A PRIORITY POSTBOX IF YOU CAN.** These have an NHS sticker on them: outside Pete's Pan/ Braceby Avenue/ outside Sweet Chillies restaurant/ Hullbrook Road.

must **NOT** return to school until

unless they have had a **negative** test

REMOTE ACCESS LEARNING