

## **COVID Update**

## Dear parent/carers

At Birklands we consider ourselves very fortunate, in that we have not had to close any of our 'bubbles' this term. Hopefully, this fortune carries on next term.

However, in the unlikely event that a member of staff or a pupil develops symptoms and tests positive for COVID within six days of school closing, as requested by the DfE and Government, you are required to inform school. This is so that school can support track and trace.

For Birklands this means that if a pupil or member of staff develops symptoms and subsequently tests positive for COVID you must inform us up to the 22<sup>nd</sup> December. I would like to stress that this only applies to pupils and members of staff, not family members, and positive tests only.

We ask that this be done through the school office email (office@birklandsschool.co.uk). Myself and/or Mrs Hughes will check this email address daily up to, and including the 22<sup>nd</sup> December. We will require confirmation of a positive test, along with correct contact details for yourselves. Then as a school, we will do what needs to be done.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to ask them.

Mrs Smith (Head of School)



