



PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers,

As more of our community is impacted by the rising numbers of positive COVID-19 cases, I would like to clarify some concerns or questions families may have.

- If a student is isolating due to being a close contact of a confirmed positive case, the student will be provided with remote learning. This period will not impact a student's attendance if they are completing the work provided. If the student is unwell, parents need to notify the school and there is no requirement for the student to complete work.
- If there is a positive case of COVID-19 at the school, the Department of Health will provide the school with the required response. The school is not permitted to contact families until the Department of Health has given approval. Families will be notified by Connect and SMS. Close contacts will be contacted by the Department of Health.
- If you or your child are unwell, please do not attend school. Please seek medical advice if showing COVID-19 symptoms.
- The current advice on testing and isolation in schools is located on the following page.
- In order to ensure that the 2 square metre rule for physical distancing is followed, there will be a limit of three visitors permitted in the office at any one time. Please wait outside the office if there are already 3 visitors inside. Your patience is appreciated.

If you have any queries please email the school at kyilla.ps@education.wa.edu.au or phone on 9216 3300.

Kind regards

Jo Hine
Principal

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School-based close contact in a high caseload environment

Testing and isolation advice for schools

Close contact definitions in schools

Face-to-face

At least 15 minutes face-to-face contact where a mask was not worn by the exposed person and the person with COVID-19.

Small indoor space/classroom/no mask

Greater than two hours within a small indoor space or classroom environment, where masks have been removed for this period by the exposed person and the person with COVID-19 (note: others wearing masks in this scenario would not be a contact).

Advised by WA Health

Someone who is directed by WA Health that they are a close contact.

Confirmed positive case

Notify your school and isolate for a minimum of 7 days.

- At Day 7, if symptoms are present remain in isolation until symptoms clear.
- If no symptoms after Day 7, leave isolation and no testing is required.



Asymptomatic close contact

Notify your school, isolate for 7 days from date of contact with positive case:

- If symptoms develop, refer to **Symptomatic close contact**.
- If still asymptomatic, take a RAT on Day 7.
 - If positive, refer to **Confirmed positive case**. You must report your positive RAT.*
 - If negative, and no new household members have tested positive – self-isolation ends after Day 7, and people should monitor for symptoms.

Symptomatic close contact

Notify your school, isolate for 7 days from date of contact with positive case, and:

Take a PCR or RAT test as soon as symptoms develop:

- If positive, refer to **Confirmed positive case**. You must report your positive RAT.*
- If negative stay in isolation, and if you used a RAT, take a second RAT in 24 hours and remain in isolation.
 - If then positive, refer to **Confirmed positive case**. You must report your positive RAT.*
 - If negative and no new household members have tested positive – take a RAT again on Day 7, before ending isolation if a negative result is returned.

Symptomatic (not a close contact)

Get a PCR test immediately and isolate until the result is returned:

- If positive, refer to **Confirmed positive case**.
- If negative, not required to isolate but should stay home where possible until symptoms clear.

If you take a RAT because a PCR test is unavailable:

- If positive, refer to **Confirmed positive case**. You must report your positive RAT.*
- If negative, continue to isolate and repeat RAT in 24 hours – if negative after this follow-up test, you are not required to isolate but should stay home until symptoms clear.

*Report your positive RAT to WA Health at www.healthywa.wa.gov.au/ratregister

