



## Downfield Primary School

### Advice for Parents/Carers

**Please see advice from NHS Tayside's Health Protection Team regarding what to do if your child/ren are showing any of the Covid 19 symptoms:-**

- new continuous cough
- and/or high temperature
- and/or loss of or a change in smell and taste

**Anyone with any of these symptoms must isolate immediately, alongside their household and arrange testing for COVID-19 ASAP**

**Staff or pupil with symptoms of COVID-19**

- Should not attend school
- The person and their household should isolate immediately and arrange testing for COVID-19
- If a person develops symptoms of COVID-19 at school, they will be isolated in the school inner office with a member of support staff or SLT until they are collected to be taken home
- In addition, any household members (including those also at school) should go home to self-isolate

### **Returning to school after having symptoms consistent with COVID-19**

#### **If test is positive**

- the person can return when they are feeling better **AND** they have completed the 10 day self-isolation period
- They do NOT require a negative COVID-19 result prior to return to school

#### **If the test is negative**

- the person can return when they are feeling better provided no one else in the household is unwell

#### **If a household member is unwell...**

All household members must isolate also until either:

- the person with symptoms is tested for COVID-19 and the result is negative OR
- the person is confirmed as COVID positive AND the household member has completed 14 days isolation



### **Key resources**

- Information for staff/parents/pupils on COVID-19 <https://www.nhsinform.scot/illnesses-and-conditions/infections-and-poisoning/coronavirus-covid-19>
- Teaching resources on infections including hand hygiene and respiratory etiquette <https://www.e-bug.eu/> (Primary and Secondary resources – select 'Scotland')
- Scottish Government: Coronavirus (COVID-19): guidance on preparing for the start of the new school term in August 2020 <https://www.gov.scot/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-guidance-preparing-start-new-school-term-august-2020/>
- Health Protection Scotland: COVID-19 – guidance for non-healthcare settings <https://www.hps.scot.nhs.uk/a-to-z-of-topics/covid-19/>

### **To arrange testing:**

- For pupils/their household members: parents should be directed to NHS Inform <https://www.nhsinform.scot/illnesses-and-conditions/infections-and-poisoning/coronavirus-covid-19/test-and-protect/coronavirus-covid-19-testing>
- or the Scottish Government <https://www.gov.scot/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-getting-tested/pages/arrange-a-test/>
- Or if no access to the internet, phone: 0800 0282816

### **Health and Protection Team number for info 01382 596976 and 01382 596987**

We would like to reassure our school community that we are following guidance and direction from the Health and Protection Team to the letter, to keep everyone safe. We have enhanced levels of cleaning, plentiful stocks of hand sanitiser and PPE, comprehensive risk assessment detailing reduction of risk strategy across our school, a cleaner on site as well as the usual adult social distancing rules, cough etiquette etc.

### **Can I remind parents and carers of the following:**

- ✓ No home lunches at the moment – pack lunches or school pack lunches only
- ✓ Children should bring water bottles with them
- ✓ Outdoor PE kit required
- ✓ Please observe one-way systems and signage in and around our school
- ✓ Parents and visitors should not come into the school unless they have called to make an appointment.
- ✓ We appreciate adults wearing face coverings when in and around our school environment.

If you have any queries at all, please do not hesitate to contact us.  
Many thanks for your continued support.

Karen Emmett  
**Head Teacher**