



Weekly Newsletter

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Welcome Back!

A warm welcome to you all, it's been wonderful to have the children back in school this week and our new reception children are settling well into their new classes.

Masks

We politely ask that parents wear a face covering when entering the reception area although this is not a compulsory requirement.

Letter from the Headteacher

Dear Parents

Many thanks for your patience and understanding with the new routines. The children have settled well in school and have shown great resilience and attitudes to the changes we have put in place.

Reluctantly, we have had to test the children this week, which is not ideal for them, but it is the quickest way of assessing the children's ability having not been in school since March. Once these are done we can get on with ensuring your children make good progress this year. Please reassure the children that it won't be like that going forward if they are a little bit perturbed by it.

We do intend to meet with parents regarding your child's education this year; however this is likely going to be online meetings. We will keep you updated.

As always, we continue to support and signpost families that may need this from time to time. Please don't hesitate to contact Mrs Knowles, our Pastoral Lead, if you are finding something difficult.

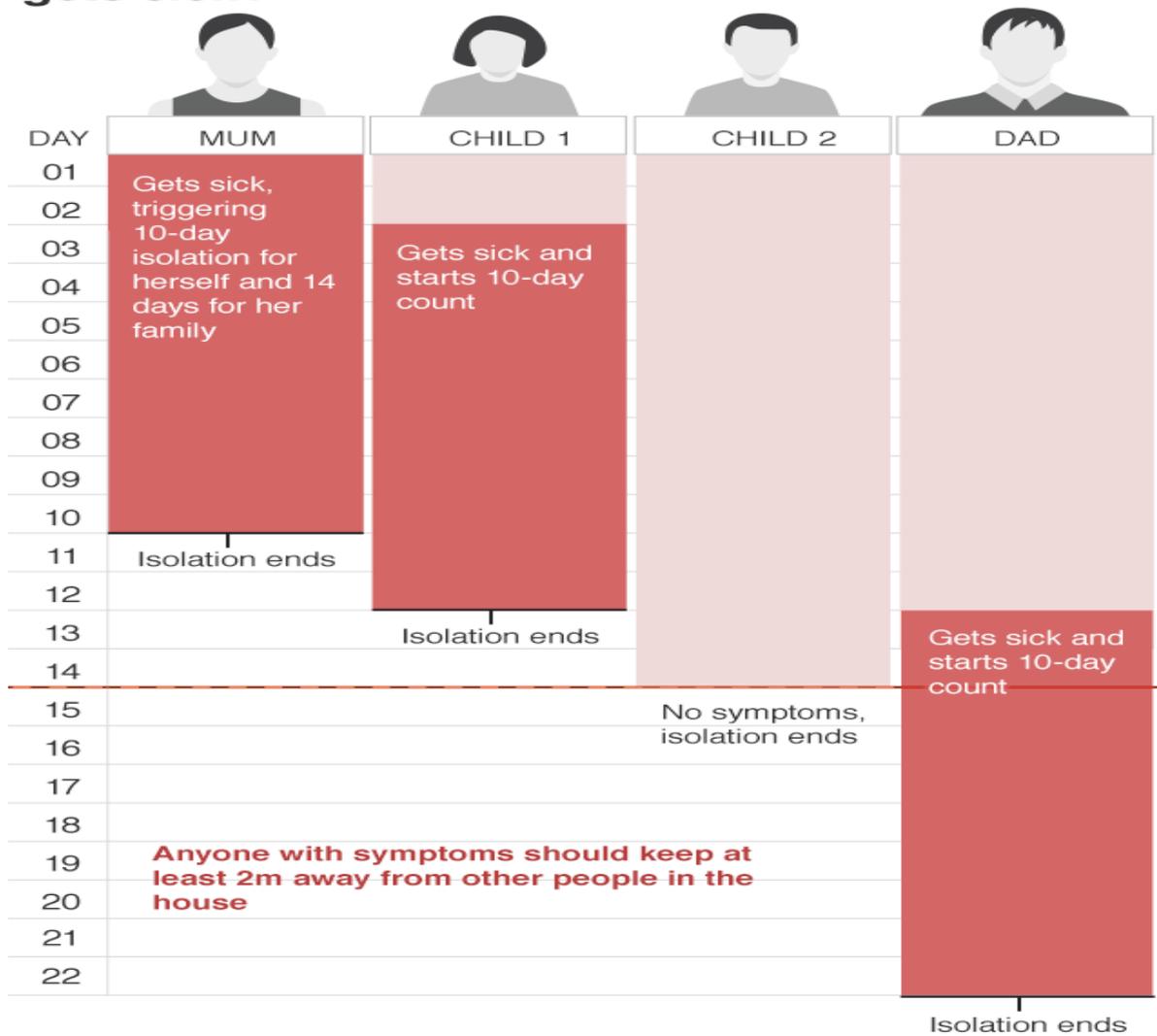
We've had lots of questions regarding what to do if you have symptoms and at present there are a number of people with coughs and colds. The guidance says the main symptoms are temperature, new continuous cough and loss/change in sense of taste and smell. It is likely that if you or your child has a temperature you will feel poorly. We are trying hard not to over react to normal coughs and colds as Covid symptoms, however, these symptoms, along with a temperature, we will then ask you to keep your child at home or send them home if they are in school. We will also advise getting a Covid test under these circumstances.

The Covid situation continues to impact on our lives as we try and return to life as normally as we are able to, please stay safe and well.

Kind regards

Mrs RM Ballard

What happens if someone in your family gets sick?



People may be able to pass on coronavirus without showing any symptoms

Source: Public Health England advice

BBC

What if my child has a cough or cold?

The NHS advises that if a child has mild cold-like symptoms they should continue to go to school.

Sore throats and blocked or runny noses are not symptoms of coronavirus. In the case of heavy cold children may need to take a day or two off to get better.

However, if your child also has a new continuous cough or a fever, or a loss of - or change in - their sense of smell or taste, they may have coronavirus. Your child should stay at home, isolate for at least 10 days and be tested. Other members of your household should also **self-isolate for 14 days** from the point when your son or daughter first shows symptoms.