

Friday 7th January 2022

Dear Children, Families, Staff, Governors and Friends,

Happy New Year! Welcome back to a new term at Brindishe Green. I hope that whatever your holiday entailed you were able to enjoy time with your loved ones and get at least a little rest. It was wonderful to welcome the children back this week and we are looking forward to an exciting term ahead.

There have been a few changes to Government guidance about self-isolation rules so please make sure you look over the new flow chart below. We continue to work closely with Lewisham and Public Health to make sure that we are doing everything we need to in order to keep children safe and in school. We really appreciate the support of parents and carers in working with us within these guidelines.

We wish you all a peaceful weekend,
The Brindishe Green Senior Leadership Team

Wonderful Work!

This week the children across the school have impressed the adults with their focus and dedication to their learning. The children listed below have really shone throughout the week and will be bringing a praise card home:

Year 1 – Amari & Oscar, Lily & Daniel, Jakub & Shady
Year 2 – Ada & Elsa, Sophia & Josia, Janan & Roshan
Year 3 – Cade & Abigail, Rihannat & Olivier, Natalie & Talia
Year 4 – Malcolm & Siddharth, Prince & Eliana, Beech Class
Year 5 – Amiyah & Charis, Roxana & Aiman, Paddy & Ilyas
Year 6 – Mo & Sami, Joseph & Louna, Olivia & Dania



Enquires for the Office Team

We understand that some of you may have questions that need to be answered or information that needs to be shared with a member of staff from the office. Wherever possible, please can we ask that any enquires are made by **phone or email** and not in person. It is important that we continue to limit the number of people in school as part of the Covid-19 risk assessment. Your support in this matter is much appreciated.

Clubs and Music Lessons

Lewisham Music

Lewisham Music lessons for children who have tuition will resume next Monday (10th January) on the same timetable as last term. All parents/carers whose children have music lessons should have received details via Weduc. If you have any questions or concerns, please phone or email the school office.

Sporticus Clubs

We are very excited to let you know that for the first time ever, we are opening sports clubs to children in Reception. Details on the clubs have been shared with you on Weduc. Sporticus will start new clubs next week (wk commencing 10th January).

Innovation Hub Clubs

We are delighted to announce that Innovation Hub will be delivering a new 'Science and Engineering Club' this term. Details are on Weduc for families that are interested. Coding Club, will start again next week.

Updated Covid 19 Guidance

Please find below the most up to date information on what needs to happen if your child is showing signs of Covid19, or tests positive on a Lateral Flow Test.



- If your child is **showing signs of Covid19** you must **book a PCR test for them straight away**. They must not come to school if they are showing signs of Covid.
- If the PCR is **negative** your child can come back into school. Please email proof of a negative PCR test to school as soon as possible.
- If your child is **positive**, you must follow the instructions given by NHS test and Trace. We also now ask you to email us proof of the positive test, please.
- Following new guidance, on self-isolation, please follow the grid at the bottom of the page. If your child has a negative LFT (Lateral Flow Test) on day 6 and day 7, they may return to school. Please email proof of the negative LF tests to the school office. This evidence should be the NHS notification you will receive following entering a negative result on the NHS website.
- If your child is **not showing signs of Covid19** but they **test positive on a LFT**, they must self-isolate at home. Under the new guidance, anyone in England who receives a positive lateral flow device (LFD) test result should report their result on gov.uk and must self-isolate immediately, but will not need to take a follow-up PCR test. If your child has a negative LFT on day 6 and day 7, they may return to school. Please email proof of the negative LF tests to the school office. This evidence should be the NHS notification you will receive following entering a negative result on the NHS website.

We are a Gold Rights Respecting School

The start of a new year is often a time for looking at our lives and making promises to ourselves. The UN Convention on the Rights of the Child is a list of promises from world leaders to all the children and young people of the world.

Our first article for the New Year is **Article 29 – the right to an education**.

Article 29 states that ALL children around the world have the right to an education. At Brindishe Green we endeavor to provide the very best education for the children in our care, and we support charities and initiatives that aim to provide education for children around the world. This includes promoting and sharing the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child with others.



Our Weekly Online Safety Message from Ms Chin...BRECK Principles

Being a parent to a child of the digital generation can be challenging. The Breck Foundation work with parents and carers to educate them about the dangers of online grooming to help them educate and empower their children to make better decisions to stay safer online.

To learn more about the story of Breck and where these come from, visit <https://www.breckfoundation.org/parents-carers>.

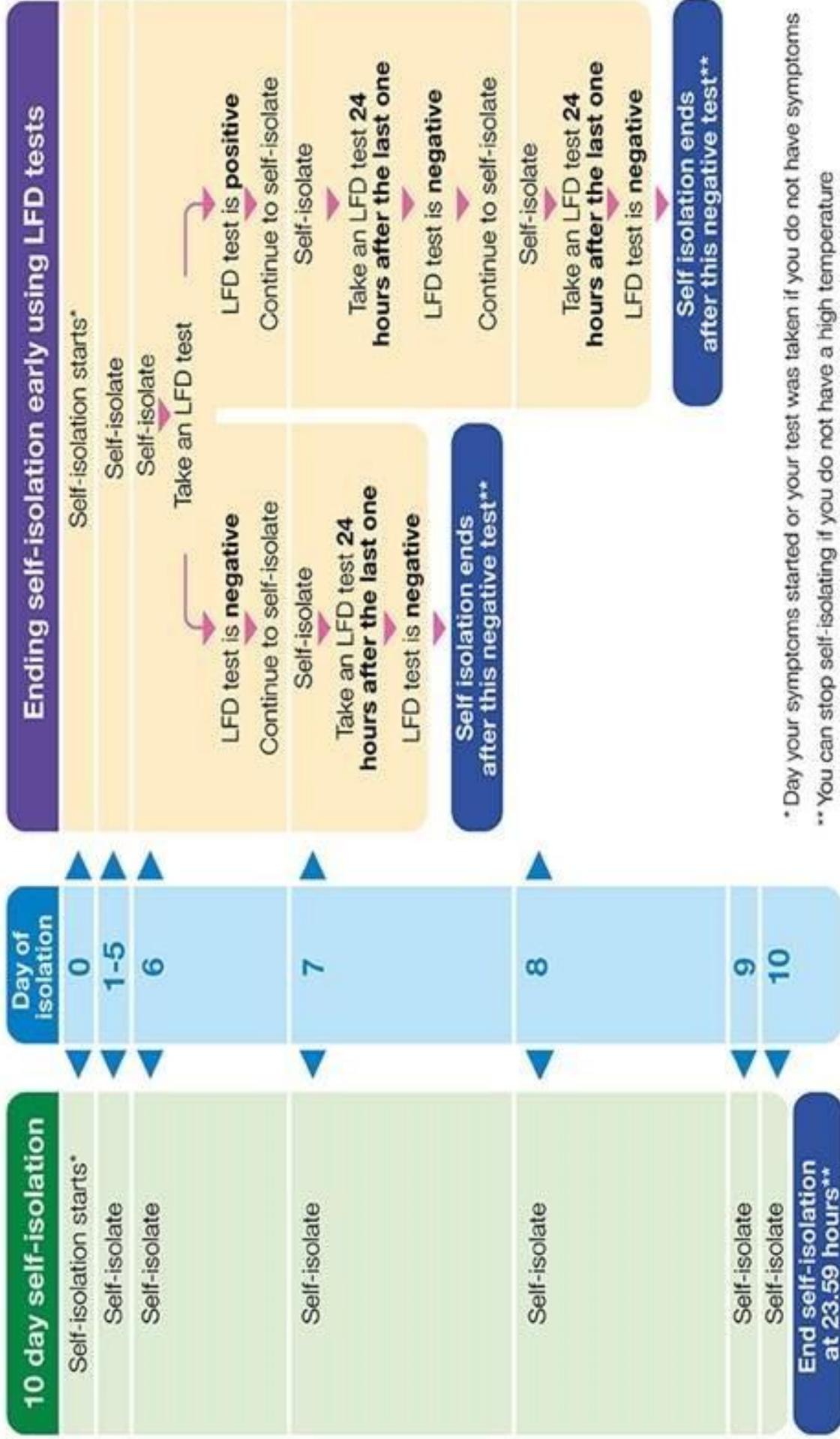


A message from the Brindishe Friends Group (BFG)

New Year, new meeting - We'll soon be setting a date and sending out invites for our first meeting of the new school term and new year! Please let us know if you would like to attend - bfgsocials@gmail.com. We love welcoming new people to the group so please don't be shy....

Send us your ideas - If you have a great, fun idea for how to raise more funds for the school, but are too busy to join us, do drop us a line. Email address above.

Keep in touch - You can connect with us on Facebook (search 'Brindishe Friends Group') and Twitter @bfghithergreen to find out more about what we have got up to and future events. Look forward to hearing from you!



* Day your symptoms started or your test was taken if you do not have symptoms

** You can stop self-isolating if you do not have a high temperature

