

# STANLEY PARK JUNIOR SCHOOL

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A "Sense of Pride"

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have now had 5 cases of Covid-19 in total reported in Years 3 and 6. This now means that we have hit a threshold, resulting in the need to implement some additional measures to try and prevent the spread of Covid. Having spoken to Public Health England this afternoon, it has been decided that it is necessary to introduce some changes for an initial period of two weeks, in the hope that this, followed by half term, will be a 'fire-break'.

**It is necessary for us to cancel the following activities due to:** multiple year groups being involved; they are considered higher risk activities; they take place indoors when open to members of the general public.

- Peer Tutoring
- Choir Afterschool Club (Tuesday)
- All Homework Clubs
- Y6 swimming lessons at Westcroft
- Parental Helper Meeting (21<sup>st</sup> Oct)
- Parental helpers who come into school to support reading/times-tables in class.

**We would ask our families** to also help prevent the spread by doing the following:

- Wear a face covering when entering the playground/school site;
- Socially distance from others as much as possible in the playground;
- Leave the school playground promptly;
- Adults and secondary school pupils to continue to do twice weekly lateral flow tests (these are available to order <https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests> or from many local pharmacies).
- Take your child for a PCR test if they have any Covid symptoms.

**In school we will also be implementing some changes:**

- Staff working in Years 3 and 6 to do daily lateral flow tests;
- Staff in school will be wearing masks in communal areas and when dismissing children;
- Children in Years 3 and 6 will be playing on a separate side of the playground (hut side) to Years 4 and 5 who will play on the field side;
- Years 3 and 6 will have allocated toilet times to prevent the different year groups mixing;
- Year 3 and 6 will eat first in the dining halls to enable a deep clean before Years 4 and 5 enter;
- Year 5 and 6 will exit the school via different doors but will still be dismissed from their usual place in the playground;
- Singing assembly will not take place;
- Only essential visitors will be allowed in school;
- Any staff meetings will be remote.

We hope that we will be back to normal after half term. We will keep you informed of any developments. Thank you for your co-operation.

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