



# Lord Scudamore Academy

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Dear Parent/Carer,

As we move forward, this pandemic brings new questions and challenges which have to be considered carefully. Please continue to be patient with us as we work to keep the school community as safe as possible.

Following the return to school after a prolonged break, it is common for colds and similar viral infections to circulate. In many cases, children will be well enough to attend school and continue their learning with little or no interruption to their education. In other cases, for instance where they have quite a heavy cold, they may need to take a day or two off to recover.

Please find attached a quick reference guide for when to keep your child at home. (Covid-19 related or otherwise). This is the guidance that we will be following. Please use it to help you decide the course of action you should take. Please remember that our office staff are not medically trained and they have been instructed to follow the same guidance.

The UK senior clinicians continue to keep the Covid-19 symptoms for case definition under review. We will review our procedures in response to any changes to guidance.

Please also be advised that we have taken advice from the Covid-19 Cell Practitioners, West Midlands Public Health England with regards to the following. If you take the decision that your child will not be tested for Covid-19, we will insist that they are absent from school for 10 days from onset of symptoms, and any other siblings for 14 days as a potential contact.

We reserve the right to ask for evidence of test results if we deem it necessary.

Thank you

Mr. P Box  
Executive Head

