

September 2020

Dear Parents/Carers

Re: COVID-19

The Isle of Man is currently in the '[Stay Responsible](#)' phase. Whilst the circumstances on our island are positive, we must continue to use some of the preventative measures that have helped us get here.

Practicing good hygiene remains a vital tool in protecting yourself and others against the virus. We should all be regularly and thoroughly washing our hands with soap and water for the recommended 20 seconds, especially before eating, after using the toilet, and after coughing or sneezing. If you need to cough or sneeze, you should catch it in a tissue or your elbow. We will be encouraging students to follow these simple measures during the school day, and we urge you to do the same at home.

The latest Government advice is that if your child or anybody in their household shows or develops symptoms of any illness, they should remain at home and parents should notify the school. If your child or anybody in their household develops flu-like symptoms, in particular a new and/or worsening cough, a fever of 38 degrees Celsius or higher, difficulty breathing or a new loss of taste or smell, please follow the advice on the government website, www.covid19.gov.im. There is an online assessment you can take to find out whether testing is necessary, and of course, the 111 helpline is available to everybody.

If a child falls ill with any of the above symptoms whilst at school, he/she will be isolated from other children in a designated area, and parents/carers will be notified immediately and asked to collect their son/daughter promptly. If the student is displaying COVID symptoms, parents will be given an advice slip to take home with them.

Thank you for your help in keeping our staff and students as safe as possible.

Yours faithfully



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