MARISH ACADEMY TRUST

MARISH PRIMARY SCHOOL Tel: 01753 819900, post@marishandwillow.co.uk, WILLOW PRIMARY SCHOOL Tel: 01753 551854, officewillow@marishandwillow.co.uk

www.marishacademytrust.co.uk



Executive Headteacher: Mrs H G Denham B.A., M.Ed. Headteacher: Miss A Court B.A Deputy Headteachers: Mrs L Howe, Mr D Sinclair, Mrs N Gentles, Miss E Dowe, Mrs S Quadir

1st November 2021

COVID-19 update

Dear parents/carers,

As most of you are aware, COVID-19 infection rates have been rising steadily in school aged children since the start of the academic year. The UK Health Security Agency (formerly Public Health England) and Slough Borough Council have asked schools to remind parents of the protocols that must be adhered to in order to reduce the risk of transmission.

At Marish Academy Trust, we will continue to:

- Encourage frequent handwashing and sanitising,
- Maintain good respiratory hygiene and ventilation,
- Thoroughly clean surfaces and resources,
- Encourage social distancing amongst adults,
- Provide online learning for those having to self-isolate,
- Limit events (parents' evenings, visitors on site, parental attendance on site, live performances).
- Keep contact between children limited to phases (EYFS, KS1, LKS2, UKS2)
- Remind parents and staff of the protocols around PCR and LFD testing. Any child or member of staff who has a household member test positive for COVID-19 and any child or member of staff who is identified as a close contact of a positive case via NHS Test and Trace should be advised to take a daily LFD test for 7 days, in addition to taking a one-off PCR test.
- Remind parents that children under 18 or adults who are fully vaccinated are exempt from self-isolation and can therefore continue to attend school during this period of daily LFD testing.

Our current protocols and risk assessments will remain under regular review in light of any change to Government guidance. Should there be a rise in cases, we will seek advice from the UK Health Security Agency and notify you accordingly.

Although the immediate health risks to children and young people are low, the potential harm from missing or disrupted education is significant. Therefore, it is of paramount importance that our children receive the education that they are entitled to by minimising unnecessary absence.

We thank you for your continued support during these unprecedented times.

Miss A Court Headteacher Mrs H G Denham Executive Headteacher













The Marish Academy Trust Is a charitable company limited by guarantee registered in England and Wales (registered number 08073873) Registered office: Marish Primary School, Swabey Road, Langley, SL3 8NZ. **"WORK TO BE OUTSTANDING. DESERVE TO BE OUTSTANDING. WILL BE OUTSTANDING!"**