



Dear Parents,

6th January 2021

Assalamalaikum Wa Rahmathulahi Wa Barakathuhu.

I hope this letter finds you and your family safe and well. We are happy to welcome back all students to school today. I wanted to write to you to update you on some of our Covid-19 measures for this term. As always the safety of our students is our number one priority and throughout the pandemic, we have been successful with minimising in-school transition through carefully planning, the professionalism of our students and the support of our families.

Although the rise of the Omnicron variant is something we take very seriously, the fact we have yet to see a significant rise in hospitalisations this winter means that the vaccines are working and we hopefully can ease some of our current restrictions as we move into Spring. Please click the link for updated information for parents about the vaccine for children: <https://www.boltonft.nhs.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/NHS-Bolton-Foundation-Trust-COVID-19-Vaccination-programme-for-children-and-young-people.pdf> .

Testing

Parents should continue to ensure your child does an LFD test twice a week (every Monday and Thursday). If you require more test kits they will be available from the school office for you or your child to collect.

Masks

Following Government guidance students will continue to wear masks in classrooms and around the school building.

Your child tests Positive

If your child tests positive on their LFD test please do not send them to school and contact the school at your earliest convenience.

Since Wednesday 22 December, the 10 day self-isolation period for people who record a positive PCR test result for COVID-19 has been reduced to 7 days in most circumstances, unless you cannot test for any reason.

Individuals may now take LFD tests on day 6 and day 7 of their self-isolation period. Those who receive two negative test results are no longer required to complete 10 full days of self-isolation. The first test must be taken no earlier than day 6 of the self-isolation period and tests must be taken 24 hours apart. If both these test results are negative, and you do not have a high temperature, you may end your self-isolation after the second negative test result and return to your education setting from day 8.

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If your child is isolating and not suffering from symptoms all their lessons will be uploaded to teams which they are expected to complete. If there are any issues please contact their class teacher or school admin (info@boltonislamicgirlsschool.org.uk).

A member of your household tests positive

If a member of your household tests positive for COVID-19 then your child can still attend school as long as they are not showing any symptoms and take LFD tests every day for 7 days and do not test positive.

As stated, keeping all our students safe is our main concern. We also want to ensure their education does not suffer therefore other than students who have tested positive we will do everything in our power to keep students in school. The switch to home-learning will only be taken as a last resort.

If you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Kind Regards

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