



## Broadwood Primary School

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### Dear Parents/Carers,

Firstly, can I thank you for your support over the last two weeks. Although these are challenging times for everybody, the children have settled quickly into school life and it is lovely to hear the sound of a busy school once again. The start of the year has been extremely positive!

As you may be aware, we have 2 members of staff currently absent from school and I appreciate the concern of parents when their child's teacher is absent from school. We did anticipate in these circumstances, staff and children having to have some time out of school, and have therefore planned for staff absences to ensure continuity of learning and consistency.

We currently have Learning Support Assistants working in school who are qualified teachers. Mr Smith is a qualified teacher and although he is currently employed as a Learning Support Assistant in Year 3, he has been able to provide consistency for the children's learning. He is in daily contact with Mr McDonald!

Mrs Blythe has returned to teach Year 2 as she knows the school and children really well and can offer consistency to this year group. She is also in contact with Mrs Fleming daily.

Please know that we always strive to offer the children consistency, continuity of learning and high quality education in the case of a staff absence.

We do not currently have any positive cases of Covid in our school. It is that time of year when staff and children develop coughs, fevers etc but we must always err on the side of caution.

Systems continue to be tight in school to keep staff and children as safe as possible. If we feel parent/carers need to know of a positive Covid diagnosis within school, we would inform them immediately. They would also be informed by 'Track and Trace' which would then request their child/ren to self-isolate.

Please follow the link if you need advice regarding self-isolation.

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/self-isolation-and-treatment/when-to-self-isolate-and-what-to-do/>

### Further information

Further information is available at [nhs.uk/coronavirus](https://www.nhs.uk/coronavirus)

Kind regards,

Mrs Wendy Mitcheson  
Headteacher

