

01 April 2021

Dear Family,

I have been very proud of the way that our staff and students have settled back into another new routine over the last few weeks, and I hope that we can continue in the same positive vein as we head into the summer term.

As you will be aware, all our schools will close for the Easter holiday at the end of the day on Thursday 1 April 2021. Schools will reopen on Monday 19 April 2021.

How to report COVID-19 cases during the school holidays:

- If your **child develops symptoms within 48 hours of being in school:**
 - *For example: your child develops symptoms on Friday 2 or Saturday 3 April.*
 - Contact us on covid@shirelandcat.net – this will also be on the banner at the top of each school's website. When you email, you must tell us:
 - Your name and your child's name
 - School
 - Year group
 - Date symptoms started/date of positive test (if your child has had one)
- If your **child develops symptoms more than 48 hours since being in school:**
 - *For example: your child develops symptoms on Sunday 4 April.*
 - Follow contact tracing instructions provided by NHS Test and Trace.
 - Contact the school on Monday 19 April to inform them of your child's absence due to self-isolation.

Testing over the Easter holidays

In line with government guidelines, we are encouraging our staff and students to continue with the self-testing programme over the Easter holiday period. Students can continue to test themselves at home every 3-4 days and report any positive cases to your school in the usual way.

I hope that you have a relaxing Easter break and thank you again for your support.

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

Sir Mark Grundy,

CEO