



# Inspire Newsletter

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**Thursday 22nd October 2020**

## Dates for your Diary...

Fri 23rd Oct - Last Day of Term

- KS2 Cross Country

Mon 26th - Fri 30th Oct - Half Term

Mon 2nd Nov - First Day of Term

**Covid-19 Reminder...** Please DO NOT come into the school grounds if anyone in your household has Covid-19 symptoms or has come into contact with someone who has tested positive. **Please be responsible and follow the government guidance (see overleaf).**

**Important Message...** If you need to inform us of anything Covid-19 related out of school hours (including weekends and school holidays) please email [covidinspire@victoriousacademies.org](mailto:covidinspire@victoriousacademies.org) & we will get back to you as soon as we can.

Even though it is half term next week we still need to be notified if anyone in your household tests positive. Please note, do not send anyone who is not in your household/bubble to collect your child from school. We are advising at this time that Inspire parents/carers should not collect other children who are not in their household/bubble. If you need childcare at the end of the day After School Club is available, please book on ParentPay.

**Reception Places September 2021 ...** From 1st November you will be able to apply online for your child's Reception place for September 2021. We follow the coordinated admissions process managed by Tameside Council.

## Nursery Places September 2021 ...

You can apply NOW for your child's Nursery place at Inspire. We offer 30 Hour, 15 Hour AM & 15 Hour PM places.

Please go to the school website [www.inspireacademyashton.org.uk](http://www.inspireacademyashton.org.uk) or telephone 0161 339 7822 for more details on how to apply.

**Moving On...** Although it seems a long time to go, this time next year, Year 5 parents will be making applications to secondary schools. We have sent a letter home with more information. We strongly recommend that you access the virtual open evenings that local secondary schools are offering, so you are aware of what is available & their school admissions policy.



**Announcement...** We have a lovely announcement to make... Miss Smith is expecting a baby! Her baby will be arriving in the Spring! Congratulations Miss Smith from all the Inspire Team! More details to follow regarding cover arrangements.

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# Year 5 Mayan Day







## COVID-19 (coronavirus) absence: A quick guide for parents / carers

**GREATER MANCHESTER**  
DOING THINGS DIFFERENTLY

What to do if...	Action needed	Back to school...
 <b>...my child has COVID-19 (coronavirus) symptoms*</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Child shouldn't attend school</li> <li>Child should get a test</li> <li>Whole household self-isolates while waiting for test result</li> <li>Inform school immediately about test results</li> </ul>	<b>...when child's test comes back negative and symptom free for 48 hours</b>
 <b>...my child tests positive for COVID-19 (coronavirus)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Child shouldn't attend school</li> <li>Child self-isolates for at least 10 days from when symptoms* started (or from day of test if no symptoms)</li> <li>Inform school immediately about test results</li> <li>Whole household self-isolates for 14 days from day when symptoms* started (or from day of test if no symptoms) - even if someone tests negative during those 14 days</li> </ul>	<b>...when child feels better, and has been without a fever for at least 48 hours</b>  They can return to school after 10 days even if they have a cough or loss of smell / taste. These symptoms can last for several weeks once the infection is gone.
 <b>...somebody in my household has COVID-19 (coronavirus) symptoms*</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Child shouldn't attend school</li> <li>Household member with symptoms should get a test</li> <li>Whole household self-isolates while waiting for test result</li> <li>Inform school immediately about test results</li> </ul>	<b>...when household member test is negative, and child does not have COVID-19 symptoms*</b>
 <b>...somebody in my household has tested positive for COVID-19 (coronavirus)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Child shouldn't attend school</li> <li>Whole household self-isolates for 14 days from day when symptoms* started (or from day of test if no symptoms) - even if someone tests negative during those 14 days</li> </ul>	<b>...when child has completed 14 days of self-isolation, even if they test negative during the 14 days</b>

\* Symptoms include at least one of a high temperature; a new continuous cough; a loss of or change to your sense of smell or taste. See more at:  
<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/symptoms/>

What to do if...	Action needed	Back to school...
 <b>...NHS Test and Trace has identified my child as a 'close contact' of somebody with symptoms* or confirmed COVID-19 (coronavirus)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Child shouldn't attend school</li> <li>Child self-isolates for 14 days (as advised by NHS Test and Trace) - even if they test negative during those 14 days</li> <li>Rest of household does not need to self-isolate, unless they are a 'close contact' too</li> </ul>	<b>...when the child has completed 14 days of self-isolation, even if they test negative during those 14 days</b>
 <b>...we / my child has travelled and has to self-isolate as part of a period of quarantine</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Do not take unauthorised leave in term time</li> <li>Consider quarantine requirements and FCO advice when booking travel</li> <li>Provide information to school as per attendance policy</li> </ul> <p><b>Returning from a destination where quarantine is needed:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Child shouldn't attend school</li> <li>Whole household self-isolates for 14 days - even if they test negative during those 14 days</li> </ul>	<b>...when the quarantine period of 14 days has been completed for the child, even if they test negative during those 14 days</b>
 <b>...we have received advice from a medical / official source that my child must resume shielding</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Child shouldn't attend school</li> <li>Contact school as advised by attendance officer / pastoral team</li> <li>Child should shield until you are informed that restrictions are lifted and shielding is paused again</li> </ul>	<b>...when school / other agencies inform you that restrictions have been lifted and your child can return to school again</b>
 <b>...I am not sure who should get a test for COVID-19 (coronavirus)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Only people with symptoms* need to get a test</li> <li>People without symptoms are not advised to get a test, even if they are a 'close contact' of someone who tests positive</li> </ul>	<b>...when conditions above, as matching your situation, are met</b>

For further information:  
[gmscp.contacttracing@nhs.net](mailto:gmscp.contacttracing@nhs.net)  
[gov.uk/backtoschool](https://gov.uk/backtoschool)



From 0.01am on Friday, October 23, Tameside & Greater Manchester will be in the Very High Local Covid Alert Level. The graphic below explains what this means and what you can and can't do. Please stay safe over the Half-Term Holiday.

VERY HIGH

HIGH

MEDIUM




# LOCAL COVID ALERT LEVEL

# VERY HIGH

## Social Contact



1 household / bubble in most locations, indoors and outdoors. Rule of six applies in some outdoors settings like parks, public gardens and sports courts.

## Weddings and Funerals



Up to 15 guests for weddings and up to 30 guests for funerals. 15 for wakes and related ceremonies. Wedding receptions not permitted.

## Overnight Stays



Those in area advised against overnight stays in other parts of UK. People outside area advised against overnight stays in area.

## Working from home guidance



Work from home where possible.

## Shopping and Retail



Open.

## Leisure and gyms



Any closures or additional restrictions subject to consultation.

## Hospitality



Pubs and bars must close except where they operate as a restaurant, meaning they can only serve alcohol with a substantial meal. Further closures subject to consultation.

## Entertainment and tourist attractions



Any closures / additional restrictions subject to consultation. Nightclubs and adult entertainment remain closed.

## Education



Schools, FE colleges open. Universities must reflect wider restrictions with option to move to greater online provision.

## Healthcare Services



Open.

## Residential Care



Closed to external visitors other than in exceptional circumstances.

## Travel and Transport



May continue to travel to open venues, but reduce number of journeys where possible. Avoid travel where possible in or out of the affected area with exceptions including work and school.

## Sporting Activity



Organised sport / licensed physical activity allowed in outdoor settings. Indoor organised sport must follow social contact rules (other than youth or disabled sport).

## Worship



Open, subject to social contact rules.

## Childcare



Registered and wraparound childcare. Supervised activities permitted in private homes. Children's groups permitted. Childcare bubbles for under 14s.

## Youth Clubs and Activities



Permitted.

There are three simple actions we must all do to keep on protecting each other:



**Wash hands**  
keep washing your hands regularly



**Cover face**  
wear a face covering in enclosed spaces



**Make space**  
stay at least 2 metres apart - or 1 metre with a face covering or other precautions

For more information and detailed guidance visit:  
[gov.uk/coronavirus](https://gov.uk/coronavirus)