

COVID-19 (CORONAVIRUS): VISITOR POLICY

In response to the COVID 19 (coronavirus) pandemic, Read School has implemented a strict visitor policy to safeguard the health and wellbeing of the whole school community.

Our policy has been developed in accordance with the advice and guidance given by Public Health England (PHE), the Boarding Schools' Association (BSA), the government's guidance document 'Coronavirus (COVID-19): implementing protective measures in education and childcare settings' and supported by our in-house medical team.

To protect all in the school community, we would ask anyone who meets the following criteria not to visit the school until they have completed the specified self-isolation period and remained symptom-free.

Please do not visit the school if you:

- have a high temperature and / or new continuous cough and / or loss of taste or smell (or other symptoms of COVID 19);
- have had a positive COVID 19 test within the last 14 days:
- have been in close contact with anyone who has these symptoms or have had a positive COVID 19 test in the last 14 days;
- if advised of contact by the Government's Test and Trace service.

Rapid Lateral Flow Testing

Visitors must send confirmation of a negative rapid lateral flow test registered on the NHS website within 24 hours of their appointment. Test results should be sent to the School Matron on Ift@readschool.co.uk.

Visitors who do not comply with this must complete a lateral flow test in the Read Medical Centre immediately upon arrival in school.

Reception Sign in

All visitors must report to School Reception. Delivery drivers must only come to the Kitchen or Bursar Office via specific entrances. Visitors to the school site will be required to complete a temperature check prior to entry into the School and social distancing must be maintained by visitors at all times and visitors to the School.

NHS QR Code

NHS COVID-19 app users will then be able to scan (check-in) as they enter Read School. This means that if people visit the School and later test positive for coronavirus, other app users who were there at the same time may be sent an alert, if local public health teams think this is necessary.

Read School's NHS QR code is clearly on display at Reception for visitor scanning.

Thank you in advance for your support and understanding as we strive to protect the safety of our pupils and staff.

Ruth Ainley Head

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