



13/09/22

Dear Parents,

Traffic Light System

You will, I'm sure, have heard that the traffic light system (Covid Framework) has been abolished. For Greenhithe School this means:

- Masks are no longer expected to be worn by parents and visitors to enter a classroom or the office.
- It is no longer strongly recommended for teachers to wear masks in class.
- Children do not need to wear masks in school.
- If your child tests positive for Covid, the seven day isolation remains, however household contacts no longer need to isolate.
- We will continue to employ best practice for other health mitigations such as hand washing, sanitising and ventilation.
- Please continue to keep your child at home if they are sick, as we have always encouraged!

These changes mean that more school events can be held with no restrictions, such as assemblies and, in term 4, our celebration of our year six leavers. We will continue to support an individual's right to wear a mask if they choose to do so.

Public Holiday

I would like to acknowledge the sad passing of Queen Elizabeth II. She dedicated her life to the service of her country and the Commonwealth. At school this passing is acknowledged by the flying of our flag at half mast for the period of mourning.

The Government has announced that Monday 26th September 2022 will be a public holiday to commemorate Queen Elizabeth II. **Therefore school will be closed on Monday 26th September.**

Ngā mihi

Stephen Grady
Principal
Greenhithe School