

Thank you and happy Half Term!

Thank you for supporting our schools this half term. Our work together as a community helps everyone stay safe and well.

Let's keep up this good work – while things will be changing in the future, they aren't just yet, so here are some top tips for having a great half term break.

Travelling safely



If you're planning a half term getaway, make sure you check [Gov.uk travel guidance](https://www.gov.uk/travel-guidance) for the country you're visiting. This will tell you, by country, the entry requirements for vaccinations and testing.



Useful information is also available on the [Gov.uk website](https://www.gov.uk) on how to travel safely in airports and on aircrafts during the Covid-19 pandemic.



Please note, eligible fully vaccinated travellers and under 18s will no longer need to test or quarantine on arrival in the UK.



Remember, you should not travel if you have Covid-19 symptoms, are self-isolating, or if you share a household with someone who has had symptoms in the past 10 days.

Mixing with friends and family

The chance of catching and spreading the virus remains high. Please bear in mind best practice behaviours this half term:



Choose to wear a face covering in busy and crowded places



If you're meeting inside let fresh air in by opening windows and doors



Continue to take regular rapid tests to check you aren't infected



Book a PCR test if you feel unwell and have symptoms



Stay home if you feel unwell to help protect others



Self-isolate if you test positive for Covid-19, or if you're a close contact and aren't double jabbed

New Covid-19 vaccine centre in Wokingham

If you would like to get your child vaccinated this half term, why not head down to the new vaccination centre at Wokingham Library?

It opens on Friday 18 February and will be open Fridays (2pm to 7pm), and Saturdays and Sundays (11am to 4.45pm) for walk-in appointments.

First, second, and booster doses of the Pfizer vaccine are available to all eligible people over the age of 12.

While Omicron is milder in the sense that it has so far resulted in a lower hospitalisation and death rate than prior variants, it can still make you very sick and it is highly transmissible.

The vaccine is what helps make this sickness less serious, reduce transmission and it is still strongly recommended. Vaccination also will help reduce your child's risk of getting Covid and needing time off school.

