

## SHADE Primary School

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Dear Parents,

As I'm sure you're aware, the cases in Todmorden have risen rapidly due to an outbreak of the delta variant. I am sharing the information we received from the Local Authority to keep you informed.

LA Updates – The number of cases is continuing to rise and we have seen approximately 120 confirmed or probable cases of the Delta (Indian) variant in the last two weeks. Some areas of the borough are seeing significant increases. The rate in Todmorden is 176/100,000 (compared to a Calderdale average of 60/100,000) at the time of the meeting (10.6.21) but is increasing rapidly. Almost all of those cases in Todmorden can be traced back to the night-time economy. Prompt action has been taken to prevent further transmission within the venue but as the variant is much more transmissible and is now out in the community, cases are continuing to rise. 1 in 5 people over 50 in Todmorden have not been vaccinated yet. Recent data suggests that more than 1 in 4 positive cases were exposed in entertainment and recreation; more than 1 in 3 exposed in hospitality; and 1 in 10 at events.

Please can I remind everyone to be careful about where they go, who they mix with and how. If you have any doubts about a cough etc then please keep your child off and get a PCR test.

Let's hope that we do not have to close any of our classes as other schools are having to do at this moment and our children can continue to benefit from and enjoy their last half term of school.

Enjoy the sunshine this weekend,

Kind regards Mrs Clarkson











