

# Headteachers' Update

## The 5 O'Clock Update For Schools

### DfE Updates

#### [PE and sport premium for primary schools](#)

Page summary: How much PE and sport premium funding schools receive and advice on how it should be spent.

Change made: Updated to confirm continuation of the PE and sport premium for the 2021 to 2022 academic year. Also updated to reflect the announcement that schools can carry forward unspent PE and sport premium funding into the 2021 to 2022 academic year.

#### [Induction for newly qualified teachers during the coronavirus outbreak](#)

Page summary: Guidance about changes to newly qualified teacher (NQT) induction during the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak.

Change made: Added information about additional funding for those currently undertaking induction. An article from Schoolsweek detailing the above is [here](#).

#### [Senior mental health lead training](#)

Page summary: Find out about the grant funding and training schools and colleges can get to help develop a whole school or college approach to mental health and wellbeing.

Change made: Added 'Learning outcomes for senior mental health lead training' document in 'Outcomes' section and a new section 'Actions school and college leaders can take now'.

### Self Isolating support payments

Recent query regarding support payments for parents who lose salary because they have to look after self-isolating children. The issue is that they do not have a Test and Trace number. However, they can claim on-

<https://www.northumberland.gov.uk/coronavirus/Testing-and-self-isolation/Self-isolating-and-the-Test-and-Trace-support-paym.aspx>.

The bottom section "Support for Parents and Guardian" gives further information.

### Guidance for testing and close contacts

Please see attached three flowcharts to help parents, carers, staff and students understand when and how they should get tested.

- Symptom-Free Testing ([link](#))
- Testing for those with symptoms ([link](#))
- Close contact guidance ([link](#))

### Social media in your school and/or setting

We would like to find out more about how you communicate with your families and/or students, how you share information and celebrate achievements via social media.

We are keen to engage with you on social media.

We would like to build a picture of what growing up in Northumberland looks like for our children, young people and their families. We hope that by being able to share your successes and stories we can help others see the great things Northumberland has to offer.

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We regularly use the hashtag #GrowingUpNorthumberland when we share content across our Northumberland County Council and Northumberland Communities Together social media channels, and we would like you to get involved too.

We would be grateful if you could take part in this short survey so we can find out more about your online communities. You can access the survey from Wednesday 23 June until Friday 23rd July 2021.

<https://haveyoursay.northumberland.gov.uk/children-services/b84f40ac>

If you have any questions about this, please email [michelle.rose@northumberland.gov.uk](mailto:michelle.rose@northumberland.gov.uk)

### **Reception Baseline Assessment: Quality Monitoring Visit Guidance**

STA have published guidance on how Reception Baseline monitoring visits will be conducted. These visits are NOT conducted by the Local Authority.

Guidance can be found on this link - <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/reception-baseline-assessment-quality-monitoring-visit-guidance>