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Important Information regarding positive case of Covid-19 in school

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Dear Parents,

I am writing to inform you that we have been advised that there has been a confirmed case(s) of COVID-19 within the school which means the closure of another class bubble. **This case IS NOT in your child's bubble.** This new positive case is not linked in terms of transmission to the first bubble closure but to a contact from outside of school with an infected individual. We are confident our steps in school remain strong and mean risks of bubble to bubble transmission are low.

We are continuing to monitor the situation and are following government guidance. This letter is to inform you of the current situation and provide advice on how to support your child. Please be reassured that for most people, coronavirus (COVID-19) will be a mild illness. The individual who has returned a positive test result is not in your child's bubble nor have they been a close contact of your child and therefore your child's class remains open. The affected bubble will now be closed, in line with our protocols, for 14 days from their last contact with the infected individual, reopening on the 2nd December.

The rest of the school, including your child's class, remains open and providing your child remains well they can continue to attend school as normal. We will keep this under review.

What to do if your child develops symptoms of COVID 19:

If your child develops symptoms of COVID-19, they should remain at home for at least 10 days from the date when their symptoms appeared.

All other household members who remain well must stay at home and not leave the house for 14 days. The 14-day period starts from the day when the first person in the house became ill. Household members should not go to work, school or public areas and exercise should be taken within the home.

Household members staying at home for 14 days will greatly reduce the overall amount of infection the household could pass on to others in the community.

If you are able, move any vulnerable individuals (such as the elderly and those with underlying health conditions) out of your home, to stay with friends or family for the duration of the home isolation period.

Symptoms

The most common symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are recent onset of:

- new continuous cough and/or
- high temperature
- a loss of, or change in, normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

For most people, coronavirus (COVID-19) will be a mild illness.

If your child or anyone in the household does develop symptoms, you can seek advice from NHS 111 at: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/symptoms/> or by phoning 111.

How to stop COVID-19 spreading

There are things you can do to help reduce the risk of you and anyone you live with getting ill with COVID-19.

Hands

- Wash your hands regularly and for at least 20 seconds.

Face

- Cover your face in enclosed spaces, especially where social distancing may be difficult and where you will come into contact with people you do not normally meet.
- It is now compulsory to wear cloth face coverings on public transport, shops and several other indoor settings.

Space

- Stay 2 metres apart where possible, or 1 metre with extra precautions in place.
- Keep your distance from people who are outside your household or support bubble.
- Limit social gatherings (including abiding by the 'rule of 6') and avoid crowded places – current national lockdown prohibits social gathering outside your household or support bubble.

Further Information

Further information is available at: <https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus/education-and-childcare>

I know this is a stressful time for everyone. I can assure you that we have taken and will continue to take all the required steps to minimise any further infections, in line with government and health advice. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact us via the admin team.

Yours sincerely,



Headteacher