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Dear Parents/Carers

Over the last week we have been made aware of people in our school community who have tested positive for COVID-19.

We understand that you may find this concerning, but we are continuing to monitor daily. 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.

What are we already doing?

Pupils and staff who have tested positive have been asked to stay at home and follow the <u>People with COVID19 Guidance</u> and will return to the setting once they are well and have completed the recommended isolation period. Outbreak control measures are also in place within the school and being kept under review.

If your child is well

The school remains open. If your child remains well, they should continue to attend as normal as long, as they don't display COVID-19 symptoms.

What to do if your child develops symptoms or tests positive for coronavirus (COVID-19)

If your child develops <u>symptoms of coronavirus</u> (COVID-19), they should get a PCR test and remain at home until the result is known and they are fever free (without medication) for at least 24 hours

- If negative, the child can return to school once well.
- If positive, the child should stay at home and avoid contact with others as a positive case (see below). It is advised that the school is informed of the positive result.

In addition to the symptoms described by the NHS document above, the children who have tested positive have also experience headaches and sore throats.

People who test positive for COVID-19 should stay at home and avoid contact with others until they are well enough to return, no longer have a temperature (48 hours fever free) and either:

- a) 10 full days have passed, or
- b) they have produced two negative LFD tests at least 24 hours apart, with the first taken no earlier than day 5.

You can seek advice on COVID-19 symptoms from the nhs.uk website. If you are concerned about your child's symptoms, or they are worsening you can seek advice from NHS 111 at https://ili.nhs.uk/ or by phoning 111.

Advice for people who live in the same household as someone who has tested positive for COVID-19 or is symptomatic and awaiting a test result

Children and young people who usually attend an education or childcare setting and who live with someone who has COVID-19 can continue to attend the setting as normal, so long as they remain symptom free.

Further Information

Further information is available at https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/

Please note that these guidelines are due to change on April 1st.

Yours sincerely

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