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Dear Parents and Carers

I am writing to make you aware that we have had a positive case of Covid-19 in your child's class. Your child and other members of the class can continue to attend school as long as they have no symptoms.

Why does my child not need to isolate?

Children under the age of 18 years and 6 months are no longer required to isolate even if they are identified as a close contact as long as they do not have symptoms.

Is my child a 'close contact'?

'NHS Track and Trace' (rather than schools) are now responsible for identifying close contacts of positive cases. You may be contacted by Track and Trace and if so should follow the advice they give.

Does my child need a Covid-19 test?

If you are contacted by Track and Trace they will advise that your child has a PCR test. Even if you are not contacted by Track and Trace we would still strongly advise you arrange a PCR test for your child as we know that people can be asymptomatic (not show any symptoms). If you do have your child tested as a precaution and they have no symptoms of Covid-19, they do not need to isolate whilst waiting for the result although you may prefer to keep them at home until the result comes back as a precaution.

What symptoms should I be watching out for?

<p>The 3 main symptoms of Covid-19 remain:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • high temperature; • new continuous cough; • loss or change in sense of taste or smell 	<p>Milder symptoms can include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Headaches • fatigue & lethargy • sore throat • muscle aches • shortness of breath • tummy upset/diarrhoea or vomiting.
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What should I do if I think my child does have symptoms?

If your child has any of these symptoms, they must isolate and you should arrange a PCR test for them. Please inform the school office if your child is showing symptoms. If you have done a lateral flow test (with a 'home' test kit) and it is positive you should still arrange a PCR test to confirm the result.

If the test result is negative they should return to school (coming in through the school office rather than going straight to class)

If the test result is positive your child will need to follow NHS Track and Trace guidance to isolate. Close contacts (such as the rest of the family) will be advised to take PCR tests.

Kind regards

Mr. S Martin
Head Teacher



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