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Dear Parents/Carers,

We are writing to inform you that within our school community we have eight positive Covid cases, most of which are in Year 6.

We know that you may find this very concerning but we are continuing to monitor the situation and are working closely with Public Health England. The advice to us is that we are still a 'green school' and all of the measures that we currently have in place are sufficient to keep the school community as safe as is possible at this time.

The school and all classes remain open and your child should continue to attend as normal if they remain well. We encourage household members that are aged 11 and over to continue with twice weekly LFD testing to help identify cases promptly and possibly consider for younger children too.

If you think your child is a close contact but has not have not been contacted directly by NHS Test and Trace please follow the guidance here https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-for-contacts-of-people-with-possible-or-confirmed-coronavirus-covid-19-infection-who-do-not-live-with-the-person/guidance-for-contacts-of-people-with-possible-or-confirmed-coronavirus-covid-19-infection-who-do-not-live-with-the-person#i-think-i-have-had-contact-with-someone-who-has-tested-positive-for-covid-19-but-i-have-not-been-notified-and-advised-to-self-isolate-what-should-indo-

Whilst we will continue to update you if there is an increase in the outbreak of transmission, it is imperative you share your details with the track and trace system so they can contact you directly.

As a result of most of our cases being in Year 6, the children will now go back to learning in their individual class bubbles. Staff members and some children are also wearing face coverings when working in close proximity with others. Should cases continue to increase across our school community, further measures will be put into place immediately. This will include:

- All classes going back to bubbles
- Playground and lunchtime zones
- Children eating in their own classroom
- Parents/carers unable to come on site
- Indoor clubs being temporarily suspended
- Further mitigation put in place for Christmas events where parents/carers are invited to attend



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

If your child develops symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19), they should get a PCR test and remain at home at least until the result is known – as a school, we recommend not relying on a LFD test if there are any symptoms whatsoever and instead have a PCR. We will also request this for any child who presents with symptoms in school. If negative, the child can end self-isolation; if positive, the child should isolate until at least 10 days after their symptoms appeared. Symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are a new, continuous cough, or a high temperature, or a loss of, or change in, their normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia). If the child has a positive test result but do not have symptoms, they should stay at home and self-isolate for 10 days from the date the positive test was taken. This isolation period will be extended if they go on to develop symptoms by counting 10 full days from the day following their symptom onset. Anyone with symptoms will be eligible for a PCR test (the normally available test type) and this can be arranged via Get a free PCR test to check if you have coronavirus (COVID-19) - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk) or by calling 119.

Whilst I fully understand this is a worrying time for many of us, please rest assured that we will always put the safety of our children first. If you have any personal concerns, please contact me by the school admin email address.

Obviously, the information in this letter is correct at the time of writing but as we all know, Covid is a changeable beast which we are unable to predict. We will continue to keep you informed during these unprecedented times that we unfortunately find ourselves in again.

Yours sincerely

Miss A James **Head Teacher**

