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RE: Confirmed case of coronavirus (COVID-19) in school

Dear Parents and Carers,

14.12.20

An individual in our Y1/2 class bubble has tested positive for coronavirus (COVID-19).

The individual has not been in school since they developed symptoms and has been self-isolating at home, as per government advice. They have since accessed a test and have tested positive.

All pupils and staff members identified as close contacts of the individual have been sent home, due to contact within 2 days of symptoms appearing. You will have been contacted directly via telephone if your child needs to self-isolate – if you have not been contacted, you do not need to take any action at this point. **Close contacts are advised to isolate until Sun 20th Dec 2020, which is 10 days since the last point of contact.** We have made the decision to send home siblings of children in the affected class and this decision has been supported by the Local Authority. If your child(ren) has been asked to stay at home, they will not be penalised for non-attendance and remote education will be provided throughout the period they are at home. The other members of your household are not required to self-isolate unless your child subsequently develops symptoms. If your child develops symptoms, they will need to self-isolate for 10 days from the day their symptoms began, and the other members of your household for 10 days from this day.

All staff and pupils will be able to access a test if they begin to display symptoms of coronavirus. If your child develops symptoms, you must access a test for them. You can arrange a test on the NHS website: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing-and-tracing/ask-for-a-test-to-check-if-you-have-coronavirus/>.

The main symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are:

- a high temperature – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- a new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)

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- a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

If you have any of these symptoms, get a test to check if you have coronavirus and stay at home until you get your result.

I would like to reassure you that we take any suspected and confirmed cases of coronavirus very seriously. If any further cases of coronavirus are confirmed, the school will work with Public Health England's local health protection team to ensure the appropriate actions are taken. This may include more pupils and staff being sent home to self-isolate. You will be kept fully informed of any developments.

I understand that you may find this news worrying, so please get in touch with us if you would like to discuss any concerns.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs M Davis

Executive Headteacher