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Dear Parent/Carers

We have been advised that there has been a number of confirmed cases of Covid within the school. We appreciate that you may find this concerning, so we are continuing to monitor the situation and are providing the following advice.

Please be reassured that for most people, Covid will be a mild illness.

This letter is to inform you of the current situation and provide advice on how to support your child.

What are we already doing?

Pupils and staff who have tested positive are staying at home and will return to the setting once they are well and have completed the recommended isolation period.

If your child is well.

The school remains open. If your child remains well, they can continue to attend school as normal.

If your child develops symptoms of Covid or tests positive for Covid:

If your child develops symptoms of Covid they should take a LFT Test and remain at home, at least until they are fever free (without medication) for at least 24 hours.

- If negative the child can end self isolation and return to school.
- If positive, the child should isolate as a positive case. (see below).

People who test positive for Covid should isolate at home until they are well enough to return, no longer have a temperature and either

- a) 10 full days have passed, or
- b) They have produced two negative LFT test on consecutive days with the first taken no earlier than day 5.

If your child does not have any symptoms, count the day they test positive as day 0.

You can seek advice on Covid symptoms from the [nhs.uk](https://www.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://111.nhs.uk> or by phoning 111.

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Those who are at a higher risk of severe illness from Covid should be supported to minimise their contact with other people in the household during this period, regardless of whether others have symptoms during this period. People at higher risk of becoming severely unwell if they are infected with Covid include:

- Older people
- Those who are pregnant
- Those who are unvaccinated
- People of any age with weakened immune system
- People of an age with certain long-term conditions

How to reduce the spread of Covid if you live with someone who has Covid

Even if you are vaccinated, you can still be infected with Covid and pass it on to others. People who live in the same household or have an overnight stay with someone with Covid are at highest risk as they are more likely to have had prolonged contact, you can help protect others by following the guidance on how to stay safe and help prevent the spread.

To reduce the spread of Covid in our school

- Minimise your contact with the person who has Covid
- Work from home if you are able to do so (children who are close contact should continue to attend school as normal)
- Avoid contact with anyone you know who is high risk of becoming unwell if they are infected, especially those with a weakened immune system.
- Limit close contact with other people outside your household, especially in enclosed spaces (when not in school)
- Pay close attention to the main symptoms of Covid. You are advised to stay at home and avoid contact with other people.
- Follow the guidance on how to stay safe and help prevent the spread, see GOV.UK(www.gov.uk)



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Your should follow this advice for 10 days after the person you live with or stayed with symptoms started (or the day their test was taken if they did not have symptoms).

How to stop Covid from spreading

There are things you can do to help reduce the risk of you and anyone you live with getting ill with Covid:

- Get vaccinated – everyone aged 12 and over can book a Covid Vaccination appointment now and all adults have been offered at least 2 doses.
- Get tested and stay at home if you have any symptoms of Covid.
- Wash your hands with soap and water or use hand sanitiser regularly throughout the day.
- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your sleeve when you cough or sneeze
- Put used tissues in the bin immediately and wash your hands afterwards
- Meet people outside and avoid crowded areas.
- Open doors and windows to let in fresh air if meeting people inside

Further Information is available at

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>

Yours sincerely

Mrs Redmond

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