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Thursday 20th January 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

We have been notified of a confirmed case of Covid-19 within the school. The last possible date of contact in school with the positive case is Monday 17th January 2022 (day zero).

Your child, in the Year 5 cohort, has been identified as a close contact of the confirmed case. In line with the national guidance, your child is advised to take part in **daily LFD testing for 7 full days** since the last contact with the confirmed case. The date of last contact with a confirmed case is day zero.

You can order LFD test kits online by visiting

<https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests>

or collect them from your nearest pharmacy using one of the collect codes which can be downloaded from <https://test-for-coronavirus.service.gov.uk/collect-lateral-flow-kits>.

Other members of your household can continue normal activities provided your child does not develop symptoms or test positive within the 7-day LFD testing period. **If your child does develop any of the covid-19 symptoms, then a PCR must be booked and your child needs to self-isolate until they receive their result.**

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)
- **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 your child returns a positive LFD test they need to isolate immediately. They no longer require a confirmatory PCR test.

Your child will need to isolate for at least 5 full days from the onset of the first symptoms or the date of their positive LFD test if asymptomatic. They can take **LFD tests on days 5 and day 6**, and if both tests are negative, they can leave self-isolation **provided they do not have a raised temperature**. If your child has a raised temperature after Day 6, they should isolate even if the LFD test is negative.

If you or your child decide not to carry out LFD testing they should continue with their self-isolation for the **full 10 days**.

If your child's LFD test is negative, they are advised to continue to complete the 7-day daily LFD testing process before coming in to school and only come in if the test is negative.

Please do not send your child to school if they are unwell.

If they need to leave the home to get to a test site, observe strict [social distancing advice](#) and return immediately afterwards.

Thank you once again for all you are doing to keep our school safe.

Yours sincerely

Mrs D Reynolds
Head Teacher

