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Dear Parents/Carers

INFORMATION FOR YEAR FIVE PARENTS

I would like to make you aware that a member of Year 5 staff has tested positive for coronavirus. The test result was received today and the member of staff was not symptomatic until the end of half term.

We have been advised by Public Health that as the member of staff was not symptomatic before the half term break the year 5 children are able to continue attending school. Fortunately, this positive case has not been in school and consequently children have not been in close contact with this case and as a result no children need to isolate.

We are continuing to monitor the situation and are working closely with Public Health. This letter is to inform you of the current situation and provide you with advice on how to support your child if they do develop symptoms.

The school remains open and providing your child remains well they can continue to attend school as normal. We will keep this under review.

What to Do If Your Child Develops Symptoms of COVID 19

If your child develops any of the symptoms of COVID-19, they should remain at home for at least 10 days from the date when their symptoms started. Anyone with the symptoms is eligible for testing and should arrange for this via <https://www.nhs.uk/ask-for-a-coronavirus-test> or by calling 119.

All other household members even if well must stay at home and not leave the house for 14 days.

The 14-day period starts from the day when the first person in the house became ill.

Household members should not go to work, school or public areas and exercise should be taken within the home.

Household members staying at home for 14 days will greatly reduce the amount of infection the household could pass on to others in the community

If your child has symptoms, try and keep them as far away from other members of your household as possible. It is especially important that they stay away from anyone who is clinically vulnerable or clinically extremely vulnerable with whom you share a household.

Symptoms

The most common symptoms of COVID-19 are recent onset of:

- new continuous cough and/or
- high temperature and/or
- a loss of, or change in, normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

For most people, COVID-19 will be a mild illness.

If your child or anyone in the household does develop symptoms, you can seek advice from NHS 111 at <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/check-if-you-have-coronavirus-symptoms/> or by phoning 111.

How to Stop COVID-19 Spreading

There are things you can do to help reduce the risk of you and anyone you live with getting ill with COVID-19.

Do

- wash your hands with soap and water often – do this for at least 20 seconds
- use hand sanitiser gel if soap and water are not available
- wash your hands as soon as you get home
- cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your sleeve (not your hands) when you cough or sneeze
- put used tissues in the bin immediately and wash your hands afterwards

Further information is available at <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>.

With every good wish, prayer and blessing.

Yours sincerely,

E. Brackley.