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Dear Reception Parents,

We have been advised today that there has been a confirmed case of COVID-19 within the Reception class teaching staff.

Your child will have to now isolate for 14 days from the last point of contact. Day 1 will be Thursday the 5th of November. Your child will be able to come back to school on Thursday the 19th of November.

Please be reassured that for most people, coronavirus (COVID-19) will be a mild illness.

The rest of the school remains open and if your Reception child has siblings they may attend school as they are not the first point of contact.

If you are unable to get your other children to school because you have to look after your reception child, then please call the school and we will make arrangements for them to have home learning. They will not be marked as an unauthorised absence.

Miss Johnson will be arranging work via the tapestry website for the next 2 weeks.

What to do if your child develops symptoms of COVID-19

- If your child develops symptoms of COVID-19, they should remain at home for at least 10 days from the date when their symptoms appeared.
- All other household members who remain 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 overall amount of infection the household could pass on to others in the community.
- If you are able, move any vulnerable individuals (such as the elderly and those with underlying health conditions) out of your home, to stay with friends or family for the duration of the home isolation period.





You should only book tests for you and your family if somebody in the household starts to display symptoms.

Symptoms

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

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

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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/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

Further Information Further information is available at:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19>

Please do not hesitate to contact us via the school e mail if you have any queries. It is important that we try and keep ourselves safe during these unprecedented times.

Kind Regards

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