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Dear Parent,

We have been made aware of a member of our school community who have tested positive for COVID 19. We know that you may find this concerning but we are continuing to monitor the situation and are working closely with Public Health England. This letter is to inform you of the current situation and provide advice on how to support your child. Please be reassured that for most people, coronavirus (COVID-19) will be a mild illness.

We have carried out a full risk assessment and identified all those who have been in close contact with the affected case. Anyone who has been identified as having been in close contact, we have recommended that they stay at home and self-isolate until 14 days after their last contact.

Your child **has not** been identified as a close contact and therefore **does not** need to make any change to their usual routine, including school attendance.

Just as a reminder, I would like to highlight the most **common symptoms of COVID-19**:

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

If your child, or anyone in your household, develops these symptoms, your whole household must remain at home and not go to work, school or public areas. You should arrange testing for the person who has developed symptoms. When the result is known further advice will be available.

Testing can be arranged by calling 119 or via the NHS website: nhs.uk/coronavirus

How to stop COVID-19 spreading

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

- 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 is available at nhs.uk/coronavirus

Yours sincerely

Beth Kobel
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