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Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been lovely to welcome all of the children back into school. Each classroom is a calm haven of learning as the children have taken to new routines fantastically. Each classroom now has a wall-mounted hand sanitiser outside their door as well as in the main hall. Children are being reminded to use these on re-entering their classrooms and entering the main hall for lunches.

On behalf of all the staff, can I also thank you for the calm and timely arrival at school of the children and the collection at the end of the day. We have made minor adjustments to our initial plan and these have been communicated to the relevant set of parents. However, we are delighted with how this is operating each day. We envisage that this method of entry and exit will continue indefinitely.

It is important to understand the actions to be taken in the event of a case of Covid-19 being reported, so we are reiterating our actions, alongside links to information from the NHS and the government. These are the guidelines as they stand at the moment. As you are fully aware, they may change at any time and we will keep you updated if this happens.

It is vital that if children, parents or carers or staff develop symptoms of coronavirus, that they do not come to school and it is recommended that they get a test. The NHS has provided guidance for parents and carers. That guidance can be found [here](#).

Whilst you are waiting for the results of a test, the whole household should self-isolate until the result of the test is known. Information about this can be found [here](#).

If the test returns as negative, then children may return to school at the earliest available time.

If the test returns as positive, the 'positive' person should self-isolate for 10 days. The rest of the household should self-isolate for 14 days. Further guidance can be found [here](#).

If a child at school has a positive test result, please inform school immediately as this will affect the child's whole 'bubble'.

If there is a positive test in our school community, we will contact Public Health England and in turn our Local Authority Public Health team will be notified.



All parent/carers of the same 'bubble' will be notified to collect your child from school and the following needs to happen:

- if the child has no symptoms they must self-isolate for 14 days (the rest of the household does not have to self-isolate, including siblings in other classes)
- if the child develops symptoms, request a test and follow the procedures above. If the test returns negative, self-isolation must continue until the end of the original 14 days.

A reminder that our 'bubbles' are set out below and where two classes are part of one 'bubble', a positive test in one of the classes would result in both classes self-isolating.

Nursery

Reception

Year 1 and Year 2

Year 3 and Year 4

Year 5 and Year 6

Should any 'bubbles' need to self-isolate, class teachers would contact you via Class Dojo and work would be set in a similar manner to the online learning in the summer term.

We hope that self-isolation will not be needed by any of our community. However, the weeks and months ahead are still very uncertain and we wanted to outline our procedures.

Once again, thank you for your ongoing support.

Yours sincerely,

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(Headteacher)

