



Dear Parent / Carer,

We are writing to inform you that we have been informed today that a child is isolating at home, in line with national guidance, because they have had a positive COVID test result this weekend. **This person is not in your child's extended bubble.**

As this individual attended school last week, we have been advised to follow the national guidance to all schools in these circumstances which is to isolate the affected bubble.

We realise this is concerning for parents, but please be assured that we have acted quickly in line with our risk assessment and national guidance to ensure that the risk is minimised as much as possible.

**We are notifying you of this for information only, and have been advised that your child should still attend school as normal.**

We are continuing to monitor the situation and are working closely with Public Health England. Please be reassured that for most people, coronavirus (COVID-19) will be a mild illness.

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 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.



## **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)

For most people, coronavirus (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/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 hands) when you cough/sneeze
- Put used tissues in the bin immediately and wash your hands afterwards.

## **Further Information**

Further information is available at:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid19/>

If you have any further questions please contact the main office.

Yours sincerely,

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