



## Warn and Inform Letter

10<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have been advised that there are four cases yesterday of COVID-19 in the school community. The positive cases are in Hedgehog, Fox and Squirrel classes.

We know that you may find this concerning but are continuing to monitor the situation. Your child should continue to attend school if they remain well. Please be reassured that for most people, coronavirus (COVID-19) will be a mild illness. We are asking that you remain particularly vigilant with regards to looking out for symptoms and that you continue using the asymptomatic Lateral Flow Devices for COVID-19 testing.

Symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are a new, continuous cough, or a high temperature, or a loss of, or change in, their normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia). We are aware that many children are also having mild symptoms such as a headache or just feeling generally unwell. If your child develops symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19), they should get a PCR test and remain at home at least until the result is known and they are fever free (without medication) for at least 24 hours. If negative, the child can end self-isolation; If positive, the child should isolate in accordance with the current government guidelines.

Anyone with symptoms will be eligible for a PCR test (the normally available test type) and this can be arranged via <https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test> or by calling 119.

If someone in your household has tested positive for COVID-19, we strongly urge you to do daily lateral flow tests on your child before sending them into school to protect the rest of the school community for 7 days. If your child tests negative on a lateral flow test each morning they can continue to come into school.

We are aware that the rules on testing and isolation periods are changing, so please keep up to date with all the latest guidance, advice and rules online, for example at <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/self-isolation-and-treatment/when-to-self-isolate-and-what-to-do/>

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully

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