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Dear Parents and Carers

I am writing to inform you that your child needs to self-isolate on a precautionary basis.

In line with government direction, your child and other pupils in **Year 5 and 6** have been identified as close contacts of a suspected case of COVID-19 and will now need to self-isolate as a **precaution** with immediate effect until midnight on **Thursday 22nd July**. This is a period of 10 days from when they last had contact with the person affected, in line with government guidance.

If a negative PCR test result is received, we will let you know and your child will be able to return to school the following school day. If you do not hear from us, you can assume the self-isolation must continue and we will then look forward to welcoming your child back into school on **Friday 23rd July**.

If your child in Year 5 and 6 has any brothers or sisters in another year group at our school or any other school/college, they can still go to school unless they or someone in your household develops symptoms.

Self -isolation means your child:

- must not leave your home.
- may not go to school, go out and meet friends or go to public places.
- cannot go on public transport or use taxis.
- cannot go to the shops.
- cannot have family, friends or any visitors round to your home.
- can get exercise at home or in your garden but cannot meet with neighbours over the fence.

Should your child start to get symptoms of COVID-19 or return a positive result from a rapid, asymptomatic test (LFD Test) please self-isolate, arrange a confirmatory PCR test within two days, please arrange to get them tested.

The main symptoms of COVID-19 include:

- **a high temperature** – this means they may feel hot to touch on their chest or back (you do not need to take their temperature with a thermometer)
- **a new, continuous cough** – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if they usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- **a loss or change to their sense of smell or taste** – this means they may tell you that they cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different.

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To book a free COVID-19 test, visit the NHS website or phone the NHS on 119:

https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing-and-tracing/get-a-test-to-check-if-you-have-coronavirus/

You can get a test at a testing site, or by asking for a home testing kit.

I can assure you that our school is very careful to make sure everyone follows government and local authority guidance for COVID-19 prevention measures.

Our school is still open to all other children unless previously notified of the need to self-isolate.

Information about coronavirus (COVID-19) is available on the government website:
https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus

We will now start the online learning programme in line with our protocol, further details of which will be sent out on Friday 15th July. For tomorrow please use our online platforms such as Mathletics, TT Rockstars, Spelling Shed and Bug Club. The children will also have reading books they can read and answer questions about.

The health, safety and wellbeing of our children and staff is extremely important to us and we thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Burkinshaw