



16th December 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to inform you that we have been notified of a PCR confirmed case of COVID-19 within Elm class.

As with positive cases in other settings, and in line with national guidance, NHS Test and Trace will work with the individuals who have tested positive to identify close contacts. If your child is advised to take a PCR test by the NHS, we would strongly encourage that they do so as this will help prevent further transmission.

Given the nature of how our classes are working presently it is very difficult for us to be sure we have contacted all close contacts within school. However, we have already contacted the parents of children that we are confident have been in close contact with the positive case. Current guidance is for close contacts to take part in daily LFD testing for 7 full days since the last contact with the confirmed case. The date of last contact with a confirmed case is day zero. If a child has had a positive PCR test in the past 90 days, they should not take part in daily LFD testing.

If a child returns a positive LFD test they need to isolate and book a PCR test immediately. This can be booked by visiting <https://www.nhs.uk/ask-for-a-coronavirus-test> or by calling NHS 119.

Please do not send your child to school if they are unwell.

If a pupil is part of a household with a positive Covid case, it is necessary for us to ensure our pupils and staff members are not put at unnecessary risk and so we require all parents to alert us in these circumstances. I am sure we can all agree that it is important for us to know this information in order that we can ensure necessary steps are taken in school to protect our vulnerable and unvaccinated pupils and staff.

Thank you once again for all you are doing to keep our school safe.



Mrs B Harrison
Headteacher