



16<sup>th</sup> September 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to inform you that we have been notified of two confirmed cases of COVID-19 within the school.

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. This is no longer the responsibility of the school. However please be reassured that we have already contacted the parents of all children that we consider to be close contacts within school.

Please be aware that the symptoms displayed by the children were not typical covid symptoms. They did include runny nose, sore throat and stomach pain. 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 staff and pupils.

If your child is identified as a close contact by NHS Test and Trace, they will contact you. Your child will be advised to take a PCR test at the earliest opportunity and will only be asked to isolate for 10 days if they test positive. If the test is negative, they may continue to attend school as normal.

Children who are aged under 5 years old who are identified as close contacts would only be advised to take a PCR test if the positive case is in their own household.

If your child is advised to take a test, we would strongly encourage that they do so as this will help prevent further transmission. A PCR test can be booked by visiting [www.nhs.uk/coronavirus](http://www.nhs.uk/coronavirus) or by phoning 119.

Should your child develop symptoms (high temperature, a new continuous cough or a loss or change to their sense of smell or taste), please follow the [stay at home guidance](#) and let us know as soon as possible.

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

Yours sincerely,



Mrs B Harrison  
Headteacher