



21st October 2021

Close Contact Within School Notification

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to inform you that we have been notified of a PCR confirmed case of COVID-19 within Reception and that **your child has been identified by the school as a close contact.**

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 in the community. This is no longer the responsibility of the school.

We would usually telephone all children within a class who we consider to be close contacts in school, but due to the nature of our class layout and continuous provision, in this case our recommendation is that all children in Reception class are booked for a PCR test as soon as possible. If you do not wish to test your child, please ensure you keep a close eye on them over the next few days and book a test if you notice any changes. A PCR test can be booked by visiting www.nhs.uk/coronavirus.

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.

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

