

9th October 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

Parents and Carers with Children in EYFS (Nursery and Reception)

We are sorry to confirm, but a pupil in your child's bubble tested positive for the Coronavirus. In line with government guidance, they must immediately self-isolate at home for at least 10 days from when their symptoms started.

To reduce the spread, we must therefore close our EYFS bubble (Nursery and Reception) and ask that all other children in the bubble remain at home for 14 days to self-isolate. Their teachers will also be asked to self-isolate. Further information is available here: www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing-for-coronavirus/. You may be contacted by the NHS test and trace service who will give appropriate advice to those who need it.

If anyone sent home starts to develop symptoms, they should get a test for Coronavirus and let us know the outcome.

We expect to reopen your child's bubble on **Tuesday 3rd November** (the first day back after half-term) and will contact you to confirm this closer to this time.

We will provide home learning materials and encourage you to support your child as best as practicable. The EYFS team will prepare these resources on Monday and they will be ready from Tuesday.

In the meantime, staff are available should you have any questions or concerns and can be reached here:

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Your child's teacher will call all parents in their class next week to catch-up.

Stay safe and well.

Yours sincerely,



Daniel Upfield
Principal

The process:



What happens if a child or staff member shows symptoms of the Coronavirus (COVID-19).



If a child/staff member displays symptoms **at home**, they must not come to school.



If a child/staff member displays symptoms **at school**, we will send them home.



They must have a test as soon as possible to see if they have the virus.
They'll have to stay at home until they have their results.



We'll send a letter to you letting you know that a child/staff member in your child's bubble is waiting for their COVID-19 test results.
Please continue to bring / send your child to school.



If a child or member of staff has a positive test they need to isolate for 10 days from the onset of symptoms.
They should only return to school if they do not have symptoms other than a cough or loss of smell or taste.



If a child tests negative and if they feel well and no longer have symptoms similar to coronavirus (COVID-19), **they can stop self-isolating and return to school.**



We'll send a letter to let you know that someone in your child's bubble has tested positive for Coronavirus.
For primaries, this will mean sending the whole bubble home. Everyone in that bubble will then have to self-isolate for 14 days. For secondaries, those who have been in 'close contact' with the infected person will need to be sent home and asked to self-isolate for 14 days.
If anyone sent home starts to develop symptoms, they should get a test for Coronavirus and let us know the outcome.



We'll make sure the classroom has a deep clean and we'll send you a letter confirming when the bubble can return.