



Sledmere CofE (VC) Primary School

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Dear Class 3 Parent/Carers,

For transparency, I am writing to inform you that we have received confirmation that a member of your child's class has tested positive for COVID-19. Following government and local authority guidance the individual has already started isolation.

Children, along with fully vaccinated adults, are no longer required to self-isolate if they live in the same household as someone with COVID-19 or are a close contact of someone with COVID-19. Therefore, your child can continue to attend school as normal unless they develop any of the COVID-19 symptoms.

The main symptoms of COVID-19 include:

- **a high temperature** – this means your child 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.

If your child develops any of the COVID-19 symptoms, they should not attend school and should take a PCR test.

In line with Government guidance, you may be contacted by NHS Test and Trace who may advise that your child has a PCR test. It is strongly encouraged that any identified individuals take a PCR test if they are advised to do so. There is no requirement for any children, who are identified as a close contact and do not have symptoms, to self-isolate while awaiting a PCR test result, so children should continue to attend school as normal.

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/>

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

Yours faithfully,

Peter Richardson

Executive Headteacher
