



23rd September, 2021

PCR Testing

Dear Parent or Carer,

We have been made aware that a number of our pupils have tested positive with coronavirus (COVID-19) in our Year 6 class and therefore we have had to close the class until Monday 4th October.

We have now also had a positive case in Year 5 and consider that Year 6 siblings may potentially have the virus and the spread could be wider. To try and keep school open we need to ensure all positive cases remain at home to self-isolate for 10 days.

If 10% of our whole school capacity (approximately 24) test positive we will have to close the school for 10 days from the last positive test.

We are asking that all children in ALL classes get a PCR test as soon as possible, either by booking online at <https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test> or calling 119. Please call the school with your results as soon as you receive them.

Please support me in minimising the spread of the virus in order to keep our community safe and our school open.

We have taken extra precautions to prevent further spread across the school. This will be in place for the foreseeable future. For further information, please see our Risk Assessment which will be available on our website shortly.

The three main Covid-19 symptoms to be aware of:

- A high temperature.
- A new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot, for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours.
- A loss or change to sense of smell or taste – this means they cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal.

What to do if you child has symptoms:

1. Get a test to check if they have coronavirus as soon as possible. This must be a PCR test booked online.
2. The child must stay at home and if any of members of the household have not been double-vaccinated they will have to self-isolate.
3. Inform the school by 8.30am to inform them of the situation.

Feel rest assured that I will be in continued communication with Public Health England if cases rise and will update you if we are advised to take further steps.

Kind regards,

J Cassiano

Julie Cassiano
Head Teacher