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Date: 23rd October 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

Re: Supporting schools respond to Coronavirus (COVID-19)

We would like to thank those parents and children who are supporting your school communities by following COVID guidance. Your continued support is very much appreciated and helps to keep communities safe and keep children in education at school. However, unfortunately a very small number of people have not been following infection control guidance. This has resulted in large numbers of children having to self-isolate at home, causing avoidable disruption to their education and to the school.

We would therefore like to remind parents and carers of the current guidance and requirements:

The most important symptoms of COVID-19 are recent onset of any of the following:

- a new continuous cough
- a high temperature
- a loss of, or change in, your normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

For most people, COVID-19 will be a mild illness. However, if you have any of the symptoms above, stay at home and <u>arrange to have a test</u>.

• If you or a member of your household have COVID-19 symptoms stay at home and get a test.

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- Your whole household must self- isolate whilst you wait for test results to come back.
- If the result is positive your whole household must self-isolate for 14 days (10 days for the person who has tested positive). Children should not be sent to school during this time.
- If a member of your household has tested positive but has no symptoms, self- isolation as above is still essential.

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For more information please see the below link for further information:

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stayat-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Yours faithfully

Stuart Lines

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