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Dear Parents,

We have received advice from Public Health about when children should be kept at home, if they have one of the symptoms of coronavirus.

The main symptoms of coronavirus are:

- a high temperature – this means your child feels hot to touch on their chest or back (you do not need to measure their temperature)
- a new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if your child usually has a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- a loss or change to your child's sense of smell or taste – this means they've noticed they cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

If your child has one (or more) of these symptoms the whole family need to isolate, whilst you arrange for a test for your child. This means too, that any brothers or sisters should not come into school.

If your child's test result is positive, your child must complete the remainder of 10-days of self-isolation from the beginning of their symptoms. Anyone else in your household must self-isolate for 14 days too, beginning from when your child first began to have symptoms.

If your child's test is negative, your child is able to return to school and other household members no longer need to self-isolate

This government advice, with further details can be found at:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/nhs-test-and-trace-how-it-works>

If you are keeping one of your children at home because someone in your house has a symptom of coronavirus and you are waiting for the results of a test, please contact the school office so that we can arrange school work to be done at home.

On a separate note we are asking for any child with a cold to stay at home for 48 hours and similarly, if your child is sick that they do not come into school for 48 hours from the last time they were sick.

Thank you for your support with these measures.

With best wishes,

Grace Slater
Headteacher