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**'My neighbour is anyone who
needs my help'**

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Dear Parent/Carer,

Illness Protocols

We all have our part to play in helping to control the spread of Covid, and we know that you at home are very keen to work with and support the school with this, for which we are very grateful. We therefore hope that the following summary helps clarify our current procedures and the roles you at home and we at school play.

A child or staff member presents with a possible Covid symptom

- We are following the Government list of possible Covid symptoms
 - A high temperature
 - A new, persistent cough
 - A loss or change to sense of taste or smell
- If someone presents with one of these symptoms in school, we will follow Government-prescribed protocols including isolating the person and ensuring they leave the site at the earliest possible time.
- If someone presents with one of these symptoms, either at home or in school, we will ask the person to undertake getting a test through the national system.
- We ask for school to be kept informed on at least a daily basis of the status of the test procedure and the result, including over weekends and holidays.
- We ask for the household of the affected person to follow Government advice about isolating.
- We will inform the rest of the class or 'bubble' that a person has possible symptoms and is being tested. School continues as normal during this time.
- The child/staff member is free to return to school once the negative result has been received and they are feeling well enough to return.

A child or staff member has a confirmed case of Covid

- The class/bubble of the affected person will be immediately closed on the receipt of a positive test result. Parents will be expected to collect their child from school straight away.
- The class/bubble will remain closed for a 14 day isolation period.
- On-line learning will resume for the affected children during this isolation period.
- If other people develop symptoms during this time, they should be tested and school must be informed.
- Other household members do not need to isolate unless the child/staff member develops symptoms.
- The rest of the school will be informed by letter that this has happened.
- The school will inform and work with the local Public Health Protection Team throughout this time, and follow all advice given.

A child or staff member presents with non-Covid symptoms

- Treat this illness as you would normally, keeping children at home if they are not well enough to be in school and for 48 hours after the end of any bout of vomiting or diarrhoea.

We hope that this summary provides some clarity in what is a currently confusing and worrying situation, but please don't hesitate to get in touch with us if you have any further questions.

Many thanks for your support in these matters.

Best wishes,
Lindsey Hermon