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Dear Parents

We are learning to live with COVID in our community but, of course, we want to minimise the opportunity for any infections to spread in school. With this in mind, I'm writing to update you with the measures we are taking and to remind you of what you can do to help.

Measures we have in place

We are managing the situation by doing the following :

- Maintaining high standards of hygiene in school
- Smaller groups for assemblies (not whole school together)
- Sitting in class groups at lunchtime
- Lunchtime deep clean of classes and shared spaces (enhanced measure)
- Ventilating spaces (recommended as an enhanced measure)
- Monitoring cases.

The government Guidance asks for enhanced measures if we have 5 or more cases in a class/group or if more than 10% of the school population is affected (16 children across the school).

What you can do to help:

Please be vigilant with your child's health and well-being and check for the symptoms (see extract from www.Gov.uk below)

If you develop [COVID-19 symptoms](#), self-isolate immediately and [get a PCR test](#), even if your symptoms are mild. This is because many people experience mild symptoms from COVID-19, but may still pass on the virus to others.

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*

You should self-isolate at home while you [book the test](#) and wait for the results. You must self-isolate if you test positive. Your isolation period includes the day your symptoms started (or the day your test was taken if you do not have symptoms), and the next 10 full days. This is [the law](#), regardless of whether you have been vaccinated.

Currently, we have 2 known cases in KS2, both children will isolate for 10 days. Please be very sensitive with any parental discussions you are having on social media, medical information is confidential and children can, understandably, be very self-conscious about this issue.

If you have any questions or concerns, do not hesitate to contact me. Ultimately the aim is to keep children in school whilst minimizing the opportunity for the virus to spread in our community.

Kind regards

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