



Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2022

## Warn and Inform

Dear Parent/Carer,

There has been confirmed cases of COVID-19 within Family Group 10ST.

In line with the national guidance, children aged under 18 years are no longer required to self-isolate if they are a close contact of someone who has tested positive for COVID-19 if they do not have symptoms of COVID-19 themselves (see below for key symptoms).

Your child and other members of your household can continue normal activities provided your child does not develop symptoms.

Students who test positive using a lateral flow test will have to self-isolate immediately (as per current guidance) but [won't be required](#) to take a PCR test to confirm their LFD result.

Students with COVID-19 can now end self-isolation on day 6 if they receive negative lateral flow test results on days 5 and 6, and don't have a temperature.

[Stay at home: guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus \(COVID-19\) infection - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)

Please note people should not need to be re-tested via a Lateral Flow test or PCR test within 90 days of a previous confirmed positive test, unless new symptoms develop, in which case they should book a PCR.

## Symptoms of COVID-19

The main symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are recent onset of:

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

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## What to do if your child develops symptoms of COVID-19

If your child develops symptoms of COVID-19, they must isolate, and you should arrange a test for your child via <https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test> or by calling 119.

If the test result is positive, your child will be required to self-isolate for a period of 10 days from the day that their symptoms started. Please inform us if your child has a positive test result. It may be possible to end your self-isolation earlier (see below).

If your child's test result is negative, they can continue with their normal activities if they are well enough to do so.

Please visit the link to UK Health Security Agency's guidance for households with possible Covid-19 infections:

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

## How to stop COVID-19 spreading

There are things you can do to help reduce the risk of you and anyone you live with getting COVID-19:

- wash your hands with soap and water often – do this for at least 20 seconds
- allow ventilation in the house through opening windows
- Where possible maintain social distance
- use hand sanitiser gel if soap and water are not available
- wash your hands as soon as you get home
- cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your sleeve (not your hands) when you cough or sneeze
- put used tissues in the bin immediately and wash your hands afterwards

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## Test and Trace Support Payments

If a person is asked to self-isolate by NHS Test and Trace and is on a low income, unable to work from home and will lose income as a result, they may be entitled to a payment of £500 from their local authority under the Test and Trace Support Payment scheme. This now applies to parents/ carers who cannot work from home and will lose income by self-isolating or staying at home to care for the child.

Further details are available via: <https://www.gov.uk/test-and-trace-support-payment>

## Further Information

Further information is available at <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'S.L. Livesey'.

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