



# LIONEL WALDEN PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Dear Parents/Carers

As we extend our school's offer to bring back some additional pupils in eligible year groups, there is a change in the risk of transmission within the school environment. We have, therefore, revised our risk assessment to include the Test and Trace procedures, in line with other schools across the county.

Within this letter you will find details of what to expect if there is a **possible** or **confirmed** case of coronavirus in our school.

## **Where there is a possible case of coronavirus in school**

If a child or member of staff develops symptoms of coronavirus, the individual concerned will be sent home and asked to self-isolate for 7 days. They will be asked to arrange to have a test to see if they have coronavirus and to share the results with the school.

The parents/carers of other children within that bubble will be notified that this has taken place, but will not be given the name of the individual or be provided with any more details than is deemed necessary. It is likely that all other children within the bubble will be able to continue to attend school as normal whilst the test is carried out and until the results are known.

The wider school community will not receive this letter.

## **Where there is a confirmed case of coronavirus in school**

If a child or member of staff tests positive for coronavirus, the individual concerned will be asked to self-isolate for at least 7 days from the date when their symptoms appeared. All other household members who remain well must stay at home and not leave the house for 14 days.

The school will then work with the Health Protection Team of Public Health England to carry out a risk assessment and to determine who else, if anyone, also needs to isolate.

The parents/carers of other children within that bubble will be notified that this has taken place and will be advised on any steps which should be taken.



The wider school community will not receive this letter, unless it has an impact on them too.

In the meantime, can we please take this opportunity to remind you of the steps that we can all take to minimise the risk of spreading infection. It is important to remember that people can have and spread the infection even when they do not have symptoms. These simple measures are:

- Washing your hands regularly for 20 seconds (or by using hand sanitiser where hand washing is not possible);
- Staying 2 metres away from people not in your household where possible;
- Following government guidance on meeting people from outside your household
- Wearing a face covering when in enclosed public spaces, where social distancing is not always possible (e.g. public transport);
- If you develop symptoms of COVID-19, however mild, then you must isolate, along with your household contacts, and get a test.

If it is brought to our attention that these measures are not being followed outside of school, we may ask you to remove your child from school to ensure the safety of others.

We appreciate your continued support throughout this challenging time as we continue to do all we can to ensure the safety of both staff and pupils.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours sincerely

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