



## Homefield Church of England Primary School

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FOR PARENTS/CARERS OF PUPILS AND STAFF - CLOSURE OF NURSERY CLASS BUBBLE DUE TO BEING IN CLOSE CONTACT WITH A CONFIRMED CASE OF COVID 19 at **HOMEFIELD CE PRIMARY SCHOOL**

### Advice for Children and Staff to Self-Isolate for 10 Days

Dear Parent and Carer,

Following advice from the Local Authority Outbreak Management Team, who have factored in this positive individual in the Nursery setting, we are advised to close the Nursery class bubble to staff and pupils who have had close contact with the positive individual. You should now ensure your child stays at home and self-isolates until **Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> July 2021 (10 days)**. The individual concerned is now taking a PCR test.

Please note that should the positive individual PCR result return as negative outcome, then the class bubble can re-open and your child can return provided they are well and symptom free. We will of course ensure we keep you up-to date regarding this situation. No child is to return unless the school has advised of this.

If the test result is positive, then the ten-day isolation period stands. We are asking you to do this to reduce the further spread of COVID-19 to others in the community. If your child is well at the end of the 10 days period of self-isolation, then they can return to usual activities. Other members of your household can continue normal activities provided your child does not develop symptoms within the 10 day self-isolation period.

Please see the link to the PHE Staying at Home Guidance for more information:

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

### Remote Learning

As staff from the class will also be in isolation, the teacher will be preparing daily exercises in the core subjects and topic to be completed at home. These will be sent through Google Classroom/Tapestry. There will be videos and/or pre-recorded demonstrations modelling what the teacher wishes the pupils to undertake each day. Using Google Classroom, will enable work to be seen and feedback shared relatively swiftly.

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

If your child develops symptoms of COVID-19, you should arrange for them to be tested and all other household members who remain well must stay at home and not leave the house for 10 days. The 10-day period starts from the day when the first person in the house became ill.

Household members should not go to work, school or public areas and exercise should be taken within the home.



By household members staying at home for 10 days you will greatly reduce the overall amount of infection the household could pass on to others in the community. If you are able you should, move any vulnerable individuals (such as the elderly and those with underlying health conditions) out of your home, to stay with friends or family for the duration of the home isolation period.

Should any household member develop symptoms and subsequently test positive themselves then the ten day isolation period restarts.

Further information on isolation is available here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance>

Information on testing is available via the links below:

<https://www.justonenorfolk.nhs.uk/test-trace>

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing-and-tracing/ask-for-a-test-to-check-if-you-have-coronavirus/>

<http://www.nnuh.nhs.uk/our-services/covid-19-testing-key-workers/>

### Symptoms of COVID 19

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

- new and persistent cough and/or
- high temperature (37.8 degrees or higher) and/or
- a loss of, or change in, normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

**For most people, coronavirus (COVID-19) will be a mild illness.**

If your child or anyone in the household does develop symptoms, you can seek advice from NHS 111 at

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/check-if-you-have-coronavirus-symptoms/> or by phoning 111.

### 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 ill with COVID-19

*Do*

- Follow the guidance on social distancing
- wash your hands with soap and water often – do this for at least 20 seconds
- 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

### Further Information

Further information is available at

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>



We apologise for any inconvenience caused, but a cautious approach is required for everyone's safety.

Yours sincerely,

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