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Dear Parents,

We have been advised that there has been a confirmed case of COVID-19 within the school setting.

We are continuing to monitor the situation and are working closely with Public Health Dorset and BCP Council. This letter is to inform you of the current situation and provide advice on how to support your child.

All close contacts of the confirmed case have been identified and asked to self-isolate. Unless you have been specifically notified that your child is a close contact, you do not need to take any further action at this stage.

The school remains open and, providing your child remains well, they can continue to attend school as normal. We will keep you informed should anything change.

What to do if your child develops symptoms of COVID 19

If your child develops symptoms of COVID-19, **you should organise for your child to be tested** via the <u>NHS online portal</u> or by calling 119. Your household should isolate until you receive the test results giving the all clear.

Symptoms of COVID 19

The most common 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)

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

How to stop COVID-19 spreading

We would like to take this opportunity to remind you of the importance of following the key public health measures to prevent the transmission of COVID-19 in our school and the wider community.

- Keep your distance from anyone who isn't in your household or support bubble
- Wash your hands frequently for 20 seconds or more

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- Wear a face covering in enclosed public spaces
- Self-isolate with your household and arrange a test if you have symptoms

Flu vaccination

We would also encourage you and your family to have the flu vaccination if you are eligible for this, especially if you are in a risk group. You can find out about risk groups and whether you are eligible for a flu vaccine at the NHS Flu vaccine overview.

Further Information

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

Yours sincerely

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