

**FOR Y5 SEAHORSES /CARERS OF CLOSE CONTACTS OF COVID 19 at Ecclesall Primary School**

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Dear Parents and Carers of Y5 Seahorses children,

We have been made aware that there has been a small number of confirmed positive cases of COVID-19 in Seahorses Y5 class.

We know that you may find this concerning, but we are continuing to monitor the situation. This letter is to inform you of the current situation and to provide information, which we request you to follow.

The setting remains open and your child, if they are not affected by COVID and remain well, should continue to attend as normal.

**1. Action to take because of increasing COVID-19 cases in the school/setting:**

As a result of the positive COVID cases in the setting, to help reduce transmission of the virus, you are advised for your child to use daily LFD tests for 7 days. Each day if the test is negative and your child is well, they can continue to attend the setting.

**2. Action to take if your child develops COVID symptoms:**

If your child develops COVID symptoms (a new continuous cough, a high temperature a loss of, or change in, your normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)) they should go for a PCR test. You can access a test via: [Get a free PCR test to check if you have coronavirus \(COVID-19\) - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/get-a-free-PCR-test-to-check-if-you-have-coronavirus-covid-19)

**3. Action to take if your child receives a positive LFD or PCR result:**

If your child receives a positive PCR result or a positive LFD test result (whether they have symptoms or not) then they must isolate. The latest guidance on what action to take can be found at:

[When to self-isolate and what to do - Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](https://www.nhs.uk/when-to-self-isolate-and-what-to-do-coronavirus-covid-19)

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

**4. How to keep your family and others safe:**

We would like to remind you of the things you can do to keep your family and others as safe as possible.

- Get vaccinated- everyone aged 12 and over can now book a vaccination via [Book or manage a coronavirus \(COVID-19\) vaccination - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](https://www.nhs.uk)
- wash your hands with soap and water or use hand sanitiser regularly throughout the day
- 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
- meet people outside and avoid crowded areas
- open doors and windows to let in fresh air if meeting people inside
- wear a face covering if aged 11 and over when it's hard to stay away from other people – particularly indoors or in crowded places
- take part in regular LFD testing, if aged 11 or over

#### **If you have been in contact with someone with COVID-19**

- Limit close contact with other people outside the household, especially in enclosed spaces
- Stay away from people who are clinically vulnerable as much as possible
- Limit contact with anyone who is clinically extremely vulnerable

#### **If anyone in your household develops COVID-19 symptoms**

- The three main symptoms of COVID-19 are:
  - New continuous cough and/or
  - High temperature and/or
  - Loss of or change in normal sense of taste or smell
- Anyone with any of these symptoms should stay at home and arrange a PCR test. **Your child should not come to school if they are unwell.**
- If the test result is positive, the person must self-isolate. Follow the [Stay at Home: guidance for households with possible or confirmed COVID-19](#).

#### **Further Information**

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

Kind regards,

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