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'Nothing will be impossible with God'*

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RE: Implementation of the Outbreak Management Plan

Dear Parent / Carers

I'm writing to let you know that a number of people within our school community have recently tested positive for coronavirus. So, in line with government guidance, we will take action as a school to address this outbreak.

We know that you may find this concerning but the actions we will take are intended to help bring the situation under control, by reducing the opportunities for the infection to spread in school. Also, please be reassured that for most people, coronavirus (COVID-19) will be a relatively mild illness, particularly in children and young people and those who are fully vaccinated.

The actions we will take in school are designed to protect face-to-face education, minimise disruption and be proportionate to the risk. Your child should continue to attend school if they remain well, unless you are contacted individually to advise otherwise. This applies to all children, including those with special educational needs. Currently, the threshold for further action has been triggered by the number of cases in just 1 class.

Actions in response to the outbreak

The school will bring in the following controls on 13/01/2022 with immediate effect.

- Holbeck class **ONLY** will operate as a bubble for a period of two weeks, with the final day on Wednesday 26th January 2022
- All children, including Holbeck, will continue to arrive and be collected from the school field
- Unfortunately, Holbeck children will not be allowed to attend breakfast club or any after school club during this time. Apologies in advance for any inconvenience caused.
- Holbeck class will have separate playtimes and eat lunch in their own classroom. Other children will continue with their normal routines.
- Whole school worship will be conducted over teams rather than in the school hall.
- The school bus will run as normal for all children but all children must wear a mask.
- Drama Llama is cancelled on Monday given the government requirements on adult isolation as per <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-for-contacts-of-people-with-possible-or-confirmed-coronavirus-covid-19-infection-who-do-not-live-with-the-person/guidance-for-contacts-of-people-with-possible-or-confirmed-coronavirus-covid-19-infection-who-do-not-live-with-the-person>

The school may also introduce other measures as required -

- Providing extra opportunities for children to wash their hands during the day
- Increasing ventilation by moving some activities out of doors, where this is possible and weather allows
- Temporarily suspending group activities such as assemblies, performances, or activities which bring extra opportunities for mixing
- Limiting parental presence and other visitors to the school.
- Limiting movements in and out of school.
- Residential trips, other trips, performances, open days and spectator arrangements will be stopped until the outbreak is under control.

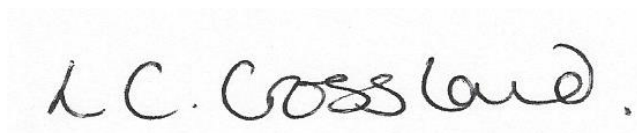
If the above actions do not bring the outbreak under control, we may consider attendance restrictions, such as sending home contacts in a particular group. Such action would be a last resort, subject to consultation with the local Director of Public Health, and would include remote education for any children whose attendance in school is restricted. I'll write to you again if this step becomes necessary.

Actions for parents and carers

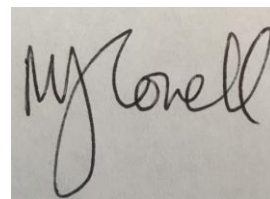
Parents and carers can support the school's efforts to control the outbreak by:

1. Being aware of and following key national guidance on preventing the spread of infection (please **DO NOT** bring children to school if you are Covid positive yourself)
2. Participating in regular LFD testing yourselves. You can pick up free LFD tests from pharmacies, some community facilities or local test sites – visit the Council's webpage on Asymptomatic Community Testing for people without Covid-19 symptoms | Nottinghamshire County Council or find test providers near you. Or you can get tests sent to your home either by ordering online or by ringing 119.
3. If you are notified by NHS Test and Trace that your child is a close contact of a confirmed case, and your child is aged 5 or older, supporting your child to test by LFD daily for 7 days (or until 10 days after your last contact with the person who tested positive for COVID-19 if this is earlier). Children should continue to attend school whilst in the testing period as long as their test results are negative.
4. Do not send your child to school if they have a positive LFD test result. Keep your child at home self-isolating for 10 full days following the positive test result. Your child may be able to return to school earlier if they test by LFD from day 6 and have two consecutive negative tests over at least a 24-hour period.
5. Do not send your child to school and seek a PCR test promptly if they have symptoms of coronavirus. Follow the national guidance on self-isolation for people with confirmed coronavirus.

Yours sincerely,



Lisa Crossland
Headteacher



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