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Dear Parents/Carers,

We are writing to inform you that the school has been notified that a Year 6 child has tested positive for Coronavirus (Covid-19). We have been in contact with the Department of Education (DfE), Public Health England (PHE) and the local Health Protection Team. We can confirm that the Year 6 child was last in school on Friday 6th November 2020 and we have been advised that no children or staff need to self-isolate because of this case, just the household members need to self-isolate.

We have been reassured that the risk of infection within the wider school community from this case is minimal and that all appropriate action has been taken. Therefore, **the school will remain open as usual for all children and your child should continue to attend if they remain well.**

This does provide another opportunity to remind everyone of how important it is that the measures we have in school to help prevent the spread of infection are followed, together with the Lockdown measures that are currently in place. **It is important that you read the following information which has been provided by Public Health England.** We are asking you do this to reduce the transmission of Coronavirus.

What to do if your child develops symptoms of COVID 19

If your child develops symptoms of COVID-19, they must not come to school and should remain at home for at least **10 days** from the date when their symptoms appeared. Anyone with symptoms will be eligible for testing and this can be arranged via <https://www.nhs.uk/ask-for-a-coronavirus-test> or by calling 119.

All other household members who remain well, must stay at home and not leave the house for 14 days. This includes anyone in your 'Support Bubble'.

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

The 14-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.

If you require help with buying groceries, other shopping or picking up medication, or walking a dog, you should ask friends or family. Alternatively, you can order your shopping online and medication by phone or online.

Household members staying at home for 14 days will greatly reduce the overall amount of infection the household could pass on to others in the community

If you are able, 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.

Symptoms

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

- a new continuous cough
- a high temperature
- a loss of, or change in, your 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

- 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/>

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact us by telephoning the office on 01604 406486, emailing enquiries@standrewsceva.uk or completing the contact form on the school website: www.standrews.northants.sch.uk

We thank you for your cooperation and working with us at this difficult time.

Yours sincerely,



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