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Dear Parent/Carer,

COVID 19 – Warn and Inform

You have been given this letter as someone in the school/setting has tested positive for Covid-19. **Therefore, we are asking you to be extra careful and monitor your child and your family's health, looking out for any new symptoms.**

What to do if your child develops any COVID-19 Symptoms

If your child develops any of the symptoms of COVID-19 please get them tested as soon as possible. The symptoms of COVID-19 are:

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

Testing can be arranged via <https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test-or-by-calling-119>.

What to do if your child tests positive

If your child tests positive, they should follow public health advice and stay at home to avoid contact with other people while they are infectious. They should take an LFD test from 5 days after their symptoms started (or the day their test was taken if they did not have symptoms) followed by another one the next day. If both these tests results are negative, they should return to their educational setting if they normally attend one, as long as they feel well enough to do so and do not have a temperature. Please see the '[Covid19 – people with Covid-19 and their contacts](#)' guidance for further information.

If you need to seek medical advice

Seek prompt medical attention if your child's illness is worsening. If it's not an emergency, contact [NHS 111 online](#). If you have no internet access, you should call NHS 111.

If it is an emergency and you need to call an ambulance, dial 999 and inform the call handler or operator that the patient has coronavirus (COVID-19).

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

- 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 afterward

Further Information

The Warrington Borough Council website contains information on the range of support that is available for you in these difficult times. [Education, schools and childcare - Coronavirus update | warrington.gov.uk](https://www.warrington.gov.uk/education/schools-and-childcare/coronavirus-update/) .

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

I hope you keep safe and well and I thank you for supporting the battle against COVID 19 in Warrington.

Yours sincerely,

The Warrington Public Health Team,

Warrington Borough Council