

# SWINDON VILLAGE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## General letter to Reception (Class 1 and Class 2): confirmed positive case within your child's year group

Dear Parents,

As you will be aware we have had a confirmed positive COVID'19 test by a child in Class 1. This morning I have been advised by Public Health England (PHE) that due to the semi-open plan classrooms, shared facilities and the age of your child I now need to close both Class 1 and Class 2 as there is a possibility that your child will have come into contact with the confirmed case on Friday.

### What happens now?

- All children in Class 1 and Class 2 who were in school on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November need to now self-isolate for 14 days from Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November. Self-isolation means that your Reception aged child is NOT allowed to go outside the boundary of your home for 14 days i.e. they can go into your garden but are NOT allowed in parks, shops, on play-dates or to go in other people's homes...etc.
- All other household members do not need to self-isolate unless your child develops symptoms.
- Your child will be out of self-isolation on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> December (as long as they are not showing any symptoms) and will be expected back in school on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December. We will be making this day a lovely fun day for all and more information will follow over the next fortnight.
- Your child will need to access the SVPS Daily Schedule from Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December (tomorrow). Each day there will be a new daily schedule published on our school website under Classes, Reception, Home learning. The link below will take you to the right part of our school's website. <http://www.swindonvillage.co.uk/ourclasses/reception-2019/rec-home-learning.aspx>
- Our SVPS Daily schedule will include videoed recorded lessons, a morning 'hello' from your child's teacher and a daily story.
- Each child in Reception has come a long way with their learning since starting school in September and two weeks away from the classroom will seem a very long time so it is vitally important you try to engage your child with the SVPS daily schedule.

- We will also be delivering a 'Printed Pack' of work as a Reception aged child may find looking at a screen for parts of the day difficult. This will be delivered to you by the SVPS Deliveroo staff by the end of the week.

If you do have any further questions do please get in touch with us via [admin@swindonvillage.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:admin@swindonvillage.gloucs.sch.uk) or via tapestry or emailing your class teachers directly.

Many thanks and take care,



Mr. Mills – Head teacher

### **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**

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