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We love, value and respect each other.

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Dear Parents,

It has been brought to our attention that a pupil in your child's class has tested positive for COVID 19 over the weekend. As you are aware the guidelines for reporting procedures have changed from today.

The government believe that education and childcare settings have done a brilliant job in identifying contacts over the course of the pandemic, but this resource intensive. NHS Test & Trace already manage the contact tracing process for the rest of society and has expertise in supporting people to identify close contacts. They will therefore be taking full responsibility for contact tracing in all cases.

Settings will not be routinely contacted by NHS Test and Trace. Individual positive cases and their parents would instead be contacted by NHS Test and Trace and their close contacts would be traced and asked to follow relevant public health advice. Contacts in an educational setting will only be traced if the positive case specifically identified an individual as having close, prolonged contact which will normally have occurred in a social setting e.g. sleepovers. A setting will not routinely be contacted to provide details of close contacts. However, schools may be contacted, if deemed necessary, by local health protection teams in response to a local outbreak, as currently happens in managing other infectious diseases.

Therefore, please be aware that you may be contacted by Track and Trace and asked to self-isolate. We hope that the Contact Tracing Journey document also on the website will answer any questions that you may have.

With all good wishes,

CMCraig

Mrs CM Craig
Headteacher

