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**Children's Services** 

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Dear Parent/Carer

Thank you for your hard work and support to follow the rules and help control the spread of Covid-19 in Bolton during these challenging times.

We would like to take this opportunity to remind you that if your child or anyone in your household / bubble shows any of the three main symptoms of COVID-19 then they should isolate immediately and get a test as soon as possible.

The three main symptoms are:

- A high temperature, over 37.8 degrees
- A new and continuous cough, this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or three or more coughing episodes in 24 hours
- A loss or change to your sense of smell or taste

You can order a test at https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test

A national lockdown still applies in all of England and in line with this, you **must not** travel, including abroad, unless you have a legally permitted reason to do so. It is illegal to travel abroad for holidays and other leisure purposes.

In February half term it is important that you should stay local – meaning avoiding travelling outside of your village or town where you live. This will help reduce the transmission of the virus.

We thank you for your continued support of Bolton's schools as they implement national guidance to keep their students, and your children, safe during this pandemic. Please continue to comply with the wider restrictions in place during half term to help reduce the impact of covid on your child's education when they return after the holidays.

By working together, we all play our part to protect ourselves, those around us, and the NHS.

Yours faithfully

Bernie Brown Director of Children's Services

Helen Lowey Director of Public Health

Bolton Blackrod Farnworth Horwich Kearsley Little Lever South Turton Westhoughton ...all in the family