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**FOR PARENTS OF DIRECT/ CLOSE CONTACTS OF A CONFIRMED CASE OF COVID 19
at Red Lane Primary School**

Dear Parent / Carer

I apologise for the interruption of your half term. It is with a heavy heart that I write to inform you that I have been notified of a positive case of COVID19 in the Under Threes. Due to the attendance arrangements some children will be deemed a contact and some will not. **Under Threes will be closed to all pupils until Monday 9th November.** You will have received notification via text and the letter below confirms the arrangements.

FOR PUPILS WHO ATTENDED UNDER THREES ON FRIDAY 23RD OCTOBER

Inline with the national guidance your child must now stay at home and self-isolate up to and including Friday 6th November. This means that they must not leave the house for any reason including travel, shopping or taking siblings to school. If your child is well at the end of the 14 days period of self-isolation, then they can return to usual activities. PLEASE NOTE - A negative test does not mean that your child can stop isolating any earlier.

Other members of your household can continue normal activities (including attending school) provided your child does not develop symptoms within the 14 day self-isolation period. A link to the stay at home guidance can be found on our website (Our School tab – COVID 19 response).

What to do if your child develops symptoms of COVID 19

If your child develops symptoms of COVID-19, you should arrange for testing via <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-getting-tested> or 111.nhs.uk.

Symptoms of COVID 19

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

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

If your child 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.](https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/check-if-you-have-coronavirus-symptoms/or_by_phoning_111)

FOR PUPILS WHO DID NOT ATTEND UNDER THREES ON FRIDAY 23RD OCTOBER

If your child did not attend Under Threes on Friday 23rd October they do not need to self isolate. This is because they are not within the tracing period for contact with the confirmed case. However Under Threes will be closed to all pupils due to inadequate staffing as staff must now self isolate.

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 afterwards

Further Information

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



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Head of School