



MANOR COURT Community Primary School

incorporating Manor Court Early Years Centre

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Dear parents and carers,

Reference: Increase number of covid cases.

Confirmed cases of Coronavirus are on the rise once more both nationally and more locally in Somerset and Chard. As throughout the global coronavirus pandemic, we wish to be open and transparent with you and write to you to inform you that we have confirmed cases of covid-19 within staff employed within the Foundation Stage, Y4, Y5 and Mr Talmage. Each member of staff is now isolating at home and are not currently in school.

Please be reassured you that we are taking swift action and have gone above and beyond the statutory Government guidance and Public Health England recommendations. We are taking the measures below as we wish for each child to enjoy each of the wonderful school activities planned for the end of this academic year.

Steps that we are taking as a school to limit transmission:

1. Insisting that all adults wear masks in communal indoor areas and areas in which they are near others.
2. Reducing the time in which children are mixing indoors with children from different classrooms.
3. Holding all assemblies and staff meetings virtually on TEAMS or Zooms. This means that we will sadly not be welcoming parents into our KS1 or KS2 celebration assembly on Friday 1st July. It is still our intention to continue with the Summer Shows next week and the Y6 Peter Pan play and leavers assembly.
4. Insisting that all staff test before attending work if they are feeling unwell with known covid symptoms.

What we politely request of all parents:

1. Please be vigilant for all known covid symptoms, and if possible, test if your child becomes unwell with covid like symptoms. Please do not send them to school with persistent covid symptoms.

If your child does have Covid then current Government guidance reads *"If a child or young person has a positive Covid-19 test result they should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 3 days after the day they took the test, if they can. After 3 days, if they feel well and do not have a high temperature that is controlled through medication, the risk of passing the infection on to others is much lower. This is because children and young people tend to be infectious to other people for less than adults."*

Therefore, after 3 days, if your child is well enough, they may return to school.

If you have any questions regarding the information above, please do not hesitate to contact us through the school office or the year group email addresses.

Your sincerely,

Mr Luke Talmage
Head Teacher

Mr Alan Clode
Deputy Head/Inclusion Leader

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