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Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to inform you that there has been a confirmed (by PCR) case of Covid in the school. Due to this we are adding extra precautions in our approach for the next few weeks while we monitor the situation.

Cleaning.

We will be implementing additional cleaning in classrooms, of shared resources and all touch points in the school. Children will continue to wash and sanitiser their hands regularly to promote good hand hygiene.

Mixing classes.

The children have really enjoyed being with their friends from other classes but for the time being we will go back to being in our classes when sitting in the hall for lunch with spaces between classes. When playing outside children will be playing in their designated zones in their classes.

Clubs.

For the time being we are keen to keep clubs going, as they have only just started. Lunchtime clubs will cease for the time being due to our new lunchtime arrangements. After school clubs will continue with adjustments made to keep children in class groups and distanced from others. Wherever possible clubs will take place outside.

Testing.

Staff continue to test twice weekly and where exposure to a case has happened staff will test more frequently.

Symptoms.

If your child develops any of the COVID-19 symptoms. Then please follow the following government guidance: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection>

As pre-mentioned we are happy to provide work online for those children who test positive but are well enough to work. I have also attached letter 10 which explains test and trace, PCR testing and what to do if you have symptoms.

I am very aware that many of you will have concerns but we are doing everything in our power to limit the transmission of the virus. I have spoken with Public Health Norfolk this afternoon and talked them through our new measures and they are happy with the approach we are taking to try to minimise transmission where possible.

I understand many of you may question sending your children to school but it is incredibly important that children continue to attend. They have already missed so much at the hand of this pandemic we do not want them to miss any more of their education due to this virus. It is a worrying time for us all but by working together we will continue to give your children the best education possible.

As always, I will write to you as and when guidance, procedures and policies change. You can find all our current risk assessments and contingency plans on our website.

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1h6ZqdqKS9IzhL9fglKCaOKcZqSaz7b_c

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Sarah Godbold', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Sarah Godbold.