

BURWELL VILLAGE COLLEGE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Letter for parents of students/children not identified as a close contact of confirmed case of COVID-19 in an educational setting

Dear Parent,

We have been informed of a second confirmed case of COVID-19 within the school.

This letter is to inform you of the current situation and provide general advice for you.

We had already taken the decision to close the year 5/6 'bubble', in consultation with the Local Authority, to ensure that we stop any inadvertent contact this close to Christmas.

If you have not received a letter identifying your child as a close contact your child is not advised to selfisolate on account of the case in the school. This letter is for your information only.

Although your child has not been identified as a close contact I would like to take this opportunity to provide you with general information on COVID-19.

General COVID information

What to do if your child develops symptoms of COVID 19

If your child develops symptoms of COVID-19 they should remain at home. Arrange for a COVID test via <u>https://www.nhs.uk/ask-for-a-coronavirus-test</u> or by calling NHS 119 and inform the head teacher.

If their test is negative and they can return to school when they are well.

If their test is positive they will need to self-isolate for **10 days** from the date when your symptoms start. All your household members must self-isolate for 10 days.



Burwell Village College Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

The date of symptom onset is day zero.

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-forhouseholds-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection.

Symptoms

The symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are:

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

For most people, coronavirus (COVID-19) will be a mild illness. If you are concerned about your health or the health of anyone else in your house please seek advice from your GP or NHS 111 by phoning 111.

There are things you can do to reduce the risk of getting 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/

Yours sincerely,

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