Wednesday 21 October 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have been advised that there has been a confirmed case of COVID-19 in Year 2.

We have followed the national guidance and have identified that your child may have been in close contact with the affected person. In line with the national guidance we recommend that your child now stay at home and self-isolate until **Monday 2nd November.**

You need to do this to reduce the further spread of COVID 19 to others in the community.

If your child is well at the end of the 14 days period of self-isolation, then they can return to school as normal on **Tuesday 3rd November.**

Other members of your household can continue normal activities provided your child does not develop symptoms within the 14-day self-isolation period. You do not need to get your child tested, unless they develop symptoms of COVID. In this circumstance, please contact the school.

Please see the link to the PHE Staying at Home Guidance

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stayat-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection>

During the period of isolation, your child needs to stay in the family home. They shouldn’t be using public transport, playing out, going shopping or taking any visits or trips to other people’s houses. Failure to comply with these rules can lead to a fine of £1000 and can put other members of the community at risk.

**What to do if your child develops symptoms of COVID 19**

If your child develops symptoms of COVID-19, they should remain at home for at least **10 days** from the date when their symptoms appeared.

If your child develops symptoms of COVID-19, all other household members must stay at home and not leave the house for 14 days. The 14-day period starts from the day when the first person in the house became ill.

If your child develops symptoms of COVID-19, household members should not go to work, school or public areas and exercise should be taken within the home. Household members staying at home for 14 days will greatly reduce the overall amount of infection the household could pass on to others in the community.

If you are able, you can, move any vulnerable individuals (such as the elderly and those with underlying health conditions) out of your home, to stay with friends or family for the duration of the home isolation period, if a family member develops symptoms of COVID-19.

**Symptoms of COVID 19**

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

·  new continuous cough and/or

·  high temperature

·  a loss of, or change in, your normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia).

**For most people, coronavirus (COVID-19) will be a mild illness.**

If your child or anyone in the household 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.

**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

*Do*

·  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/>

**Home Learning**

Home learning is available on the school website for your child. Please call school if you need a paper copy of work to be carried out. It won’t have all of the work, as some of the task will be on website such as Bug Club and My Maths, but the teachers will ensure that there will be work linked to the current areas of learning.

Mrs Iqbal will arrange a time for you to come to collect the work from school.

School staff will call your child on a regular basis during this period of lockdown, to talk through the work that the children have carried out.

They can also be contacted via email.

mrscollins@reedley.lancs.sch.uk and mrsellis@reedley.lancs.sch.uk

Any queries about work or passwords should be emailed directly to these email addresses.

Thank you for your support,

Yours sincerely

Mrs Sarah Bell

Headteacher