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Dear Parents and Carers

Covid-19 – Symptoms and Testing Procedures

I am sending you a link to the Government Guidance on what to do in the event of a member of your household feeling unwell and displaying any of the Covid-19 symptoms (**a new continuous cough, a high temperature, or a loss of, or change in, your normal sense of taste or smell**).

<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 stated on page 3 of this document:

“If you have symptoms of COVID-19 however mild, self-isolate for at least 10 days from when your symptoms started. You should arrange to have a test to see if you have COVID-19 – go to testing to arrange. Do not go to a GP surgery, pharmacy or hospital.”

We are aware that it can be quite difficult to access a test at the moment – but our advice from Public Health England is for parents to keep refreshing the webpage. Some parents in Luton managed to get tests yesterday – so we would definitely advise you to keep trying.

Again – as per the document (page 4):

“It is very important that people with symptoms of or a positive COVID-19 test and their household members stay at home”

Please ensure that you are following this guidance if awaiting a test appointment or the results. If the test results are negative, the child or adult may go back to school or work, providing that no other household members have developed Covid-19 symptoms in the meantime.

Wishing you and your families continuing good health.

Take care



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