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Dear Parents/Carers,

We are writing to advise you that we have received confirmation that there are now 3 confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Year 5 (Mrs Clarke's class). We are aware that another couple of children are also awaiting PCR test results.

This now meets the threshold set by the Government and requires us to inform the Department for Education, to introduce some temporary, additional measures to reduce the risk of transmission, and to seek support and advice as necessary. 5C will therefore continue to be taught by Mrs Clarke but will not be mixing with other classes. They will therefore also not be able to attend any clubs where they mix with other pupils, including before and after school clubs and Magic Breakfast. This is currently the case for at least 10 days, but we will let you know the exact time as we liaise further with Public Health and watch how the next few days unfolds. These arrangements must start with immediate effect. Therefore, if your child was due to go to a club or After-school club after school today, you need to make alternative arrangements to collect them at the end of the normal school day. Apologies for the inconvenience this may cause.

All children and staff within the class are considered close contacts and we would advise you to arrange for your child to have a PCR test as soon as possible and to monitor your child closely for symptoms of COVID-19. The main symptoms of COVID-19 are the recent onset of:

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

Testing can be arranged by calling 119 or via the NHS website: [www.nhs.uk/coronavirus](http://www.nhs.uk/coronavirus). Please keep us informed of the result of the test. If your child remains well and symptom-free they should continue to attend school as normal, including while awaiting their PCR test result.

Children who are at home will have access to learning via Seesaw, but they should only participate in the work if they feel well enough to do so. Please continue to stay in contact if your child is unwell so that we can offer you support as appropriate.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact school.

Kind regards,

Mrs H. Broom

Executive Headteacher