

16th February 2022

Dear Parents / Carers,

I am writing to advise you that another 2 members of the school community have tested positive for COVID-19 via PCR or LFD tests this week.

School is concerned regarding a vomiting virus in School. 9 cases have been reported to us this week, so please ensure students remain at home for 48 hours and two clear days, following their final episode before returning to School.

Since 19th July, schools are no longer responsible for identifying close contacts of persons who test positive for COVID-19. Instead, close contacts will be notified by NHS Test and Trace and given advice and instructions about isolating and / or taking a PCR test.

Close contacts will be informed by NHS Test and Trace, but in the meantime, please be alert to the signs and symptoms of COVID-19 infection:

- A high temperature
- A new continuous cough
- · A loss or change to your sense of taste or smell

Please also make yourself aware of other symptoms that are being reported as associated with the Omicron variant of COVID-19.

If your child develops one of these symptoms, please keep them at home and book a PCR test (online at: https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test or by phoning 119 between 7am and 11pm) and stay at home until you receive a result.

The advice continues regarding twice weekly testing using lateral flow devices. These are available at your local pharmacy. Please contact school if you are unable to access a supply of tests and we will be able to provide.

The safety and welfare of all our staff and children remains our top priority. We continue to undertake thorough cleaning of the whole school and a further cleaning regime is in place during the day.





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If you would like to speak to someone, or have any further questions, please email admin@lighthouseschool.co.uk

Kind regards

Emma Sullivan Principal

Please see the NHS.UK website for more information on testing:

https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing-for-coronavirus/ask-for-a-test-to-check-if-you-have-coronavirus/.

If you are concerned about your child's health, please refer to the NHS 111 website or telephone NHS 111 or your GP.

https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/check-if-you-have-coronavirus-symptoms/.

Please see the link to the PHE 'Stay at Home' 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





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