

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2022 Dear Parent / Carer – YEAR 3 ONLY

I am writing to inform you that there has been a positive case of COVID19 within the school community and as a result your child may have been in close contact with an individual who has tested positive for the virus that causes COVID-19. It is unlikely but possible that they have been infected. Even if infected, children are at very low risk of serious illness from COVID-19.

In order to reduce the risk of further positive cases within the school community, I am asking you to **please arrange for your child to undertake daily LFD testing for seven days.** Your child does not need to self-isolate and should continue to attend school.

If your child tests positive on an LFD test, they should isolate immediately, and you should book a PCR test for them. They should not attend school while they await the result of the confirmatory PCR test.

PCR tests can be arranged online by following this link: <u>Get a free PCR test to check if you have</u> <u>coronavirus (COVID-19) - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)</u>. If you cannot use the online service, call 119. Lines are open 7am to 11pm.

Thank you for continuing to support our school to remain a safe place.

Yours sincerely

Mr Dale Bateman

Headteacher On behalf of Essex County Council