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Dear Parents and Carers,

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What to do if your child is unwell

The box below provides a summary of the main symptoms of coronavirus.

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

- **a high temperature** – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- **a new, continuous cough** – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- **a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste** – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

Most people with coronavirus have at least 1 of these symptoms

If your child has **any** of the above symptoms of coronavirus then they must isolate (stay at home) immediately. **All** other members of your household must also self-isolate until you know their result.

- Please use the NHS website and book a test <https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test>
- Please do let us know if you have any trouble booking a test

What is self-isolation?

Self-isolation is when you do not leave your home because you have or might have coronavirus (COVID-19). This helps stop the virus spreading to other people.

- do not go to work, school or public places – work from home if you can
- do not go on public transport or use taxis
- do not go out to get food and medicine – order it online or by phone, or ask someone to bring it to your home
- do not have visitors in your home, including friends and family – except for people providing essential care
- do not go out to exercise – exercise at home or in your garden, if you have one

What to do when you get the results of the coronavirus test

Once you have got your child's test results, or the test results of anyone else in your household, you must inform the school of the results. Even if the results are negative, you must still tell your child's school. This is to help protect the rest of the school community.

What to do if your child's coronavirus test is positive

If your child received a positive test result, please let school know immediately by:

Phoning - 0161 789 4382

Texting – 441618501489

Emailing - godfreyermen.ceprimaryschool@salford.gov.uk

Your child will need to self-isolate for at least 10 days. Your household, and any other contacts, must also isolate for 14 days and watch for symptoms - if these appear then they will need to be tested. You will be given advice about your isolation when you get your test results.

What to do if your child's coronavirus test is negative

You must inform school of this straight away.

Your child can return to the school provided they feel well enough. As there are other viruses circulating, such as a cold or flu, it is advisable to avoid contact with other people until they are better. Household members can also end their isolation, unless someone else is awaiting results of a coronavirus test.

We are sending you our very best wishes at this difficult time. If you need any further advice regarding self-isolation or support the Spirit of Salford Helpline has proven really useful for families and can be contacted via <https://www.salford.gov.uk/spiritofsalford> or 0800 952 1000.

As always, we are also here to give help where we can.

Take care and stay safe,

Mrs J Clancy
Headteacher