



## Swaffham Prior Church of England Primary School

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*'Learning, working and growing together'*

Helen Bartley  
Head teacher

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Dear Parent/Carer,

I am writing to inform you that we have been notified of a confirmed case of COVID-19 within the school.

As with positive cases in other settings, and in line with national guidance, NHS Test and Trace will work with the individual who has tested positive to identify close contacts. This is no longer the responsibility of the school, but we will work with Track and Trace if asked to.

If your child is identified as a close contact by NHS Test and Trace, they will contact you. Your child will be advised to take a PCR test at the earliest opportunity and will only be asked to isolate for 10 days if they test positive. If the test is negative, they may continue to attend school as normal.

Children who are aged under 5 years old who are identified as close contacts would only be advised to take a PCR test if the positive case is in their own household.

If your child is advised to take a test, we would **strongly encourage** that they do so as this will help prevent further transmission. A PCR test can be booked by visiting [Get a free PCR test to check if you have coronavirus \(COVID-19\) - GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk/get-a-free-pcr-test-to-check-if-you-have-coronavirus) or [www.nhs.uk/coronavirus](https://www.nhs.uk/coronavirus) or by phoning 119.

Should your child develop symptoms (high temperature, a new continuous cough or a loss or change to their sense of smell or taste), please follow the stay-at-home guidance and let us know as soon as possible.

To help control a potential increase in cases, we ask that if your child or anyone in your household show symptoms that may be COVID related, or you are concerned, that you arrange a PCR test rather than carrying out a LFT test. LFT tests should only be used for persons who do not have any symptoms.

We may also have to reintroduce some of the control measures from last term, but we will let you know if we have to and be rest assured this will be for a short period of time and only after discussions with DEMAT and other relevant bodies.

Thank you once again for all you are doing to keep our school safe.

Yours sincerely,

H Bartley