

# Huish Episcopi Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers

Following a confirmed case of COVID-19 in our setting, we have undertaken a risk assessment and have identified that your child has been in close contact with the case during a time when they would have been infectious to others. In line with the national guidance, your child needs to now stay at home and self-isolate until Friday 23 July 2021 when they may return to school for the last day of term if they have not developed any symptoms or tested positive. We are asking you to do this to reduce the further spread of COVID-19 to others in the community. This is a link to a page with more information regarding self isolation:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/self-isolation-and-treatment/when-to-self-isolate-and-what-to-do/>

People who are isolating because they are close contacts of a confirmed case of COVID-19 are now encouraged to take a PCR test. This is recommended for contacts who don't have any symptoms as well as those who do. Close contacts can book a PCR test via [Get a free PCR test to check if you have coronavirus \(COVID-19\) - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#) or by calling 119. If the test is positive, you will be provided with further advice by the NHS Test and Trace service. Please also advise the school of the positive result at the first opportunity.

If the PCR test is negative, the close contact **must** continue to isolate until Friday 23 July, 2021. This is because they could still be incubating the virus for up to 10 days after close contact.

If your child develops symptoms of COVID-19 at any time, please isolate as a household and book a test for the person with symptoms (even if they have already taken a test). Symptoms of COVID-19 are:

- A new, continuous cough, and/or
- A temperature, and/or
- A loss of, or change to, sense of taste and/or smell.

If your child is well at the end of the 10 days period of self-isolation, then they can return to usual activities.

Other members of your household can continue normal activities provided your child does not develop symptoms or test positive within the 10 day self-isolation period.

We will be in contact with more information soon.



Please find attached home learning for this week of self isolation and we will be in contact with more information for next week.

Please contact me if you have any questions regarding this information.

Yours sincerely

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Headteacher