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Sunday 13th September

Dear parents and carers

I have received confirmation yesterday evening that a child in your child's class of Y3 Elm has tested positive for the Covid 19 virus.

I have followed the government guidance for school asking for advice on the actions that we need to take in terms of telling people to self-isolate and closing bubbles in school. Unfortunately, I have not received any advice or guidance from the Regional Public Health Team as they are not open on the weekend, however I was able to speak to someone at the Local Authority last night who suggested that the following actions were appropriate.

Therefore, I am making a decision to close this class with immediate effect and instructing all parents to **make sure that children who are in that class self-isolate at home and are monitored for the development of Covid symptoms.**

There is no need for any other children to be tested at this point unless they develop symptoms. There is also no need to remove siblings from other year groups unless they begin to display symptoms or have had direct contact with anyone who has been confirmed positive

Mrs Eames will communicate with you through Dojo to start online Zoom lessons which your children will be expected to access from home. These will begin tomorrow with an introductory online meeting, with the full teaching beginning on Tuesday.

Your children will be able to return to school on **Thursday 24th September**. I completely understand the disruption that this decision will cause to you and your families and I can re-assure you that I have not taken this decision lightly and that the safety of your children and our community has been put at its fore.

Kind regards

K S Russell
Headteacher