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Monday, 5th July 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

Confirmed Positive Case of COVID-19 (Coronavirus)

We have been informed that a child in our Nursery bubble has tested positive for COVID-19 (Coronavirus).

What we have done

In line with guidance, we immediately made contact with the Public Health Protection Hub and discussed the circumstances of our school at great length. The following decision was made:

As a precaution, the Nursery bubble will close, and the children will be required to isolate. This is done to reduce the risk of further spread of COVID-19 to others in the community. The Nursery children will be required to isolate up to and including Monday, 12th July. If the children are well, they can then return to school on Tuesday, 13th July.

We will undertake a deep clean of the area as is routine when there has been a positive case.

Other members of your household can continue normal activities provided your child does not develop any symptoms within the self-isolation period.

Online Learning

Activities will be sent via text for the children in Nursery and live stories will take place at 9.00am each day.

Next Step - Monitor your Child

Please monitor your child for symptoms over the coming days. Should your child become symptomatic they should remain at home for at least 10 days from the date their symptoms first appeared. Please inform the school of any symptoms and access a PCR test immediately. If this is the case, then all other household members must also stay at home and not leave the house for 10 days. Household members staying at home for 10 days will greatly reduce the overall amount of infection that household could pass on to others in the community.

Symptoms

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

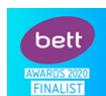
- new continuous cough
- high temperature
- a loss of, or change in, normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

For most people, coronavirus (COVID-19) will be a mild illness.

Testing can be booked by:

Website: [Get a free PCR test to check if you have coronavirus \(COVID-19\) - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk)

Phone: Call 119 and arrange a test



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Walk-in: There are local walk-in testing centres, please call 119 to book an appointment.

Once you receive the result, you must inform the school no matter what the result. If this is outside school hours, please email postbox@pheasey.org.uk.

What if your child is not in these bubbles?

The risk to other children across the school is extremely low, based on Public Health risk assessment. For all unaffected children, school will remain open as normal.

Worrying Times

Our main concern continues to be keeping all of your children safe and healthy while they are in our care and our priority at the moment is to protect everyone from this virus. **We cannot emphasise enough how important it is that parents and carers keep their distance while dropping off and collecting children and do not congregate at exits. Transmission rates of the new Delta variant are extremely high. We are working hard to minimise the risk posed by the virus and strongly advise that our parents and carers do wear a face covering whilst on site.** Your support with this would be appreciated.

We will continue to place the health and safety of everyone within our school community at the forefront of our actions and we are very grateful that we were notified immediately once parents received test results.

If you have any questions, please contact us at school by either telephone or email to postbox@pheasey.org.uk. Public Health have been very helpful and are also willing to speak with anyone who has any questions about decisions the school have taken. They can be contacted at 01922 658065.

How to stop COVID-19 spreading

There are things you can do to help reduce the risk of you and anyone you live with getting ill with COVID-19

- wash your hands with soap and water often - do this for at least 20 seconds
- use hand sanitiser gel if soap and water are not available
- wash your hands as soon as you get home
- cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your sleeve (not your hands) when you cough or sneeze
- put used tissues in the bin immediately and wash your hands afterwards

Further Information

Further information is available at <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>

Yours sincerely,

Mrs S. Arnold
Head of School

