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Dear Parents

We have had a successful week in school, with children working hard, settling down and getting on with work and enjoying life back at school. Teachers and support staff are supporting pupils to adapt to the new ways of working. Thank you to everyone for your hard work!

Busy traffic, dropping off, outside of school

Please follow the law outside of school when picking up and dropping off. Following a concern raised by a parent, we have contacted the local police for support. This is for pupil, staff and family safety, as well as respecting the community.

Drinks in school

Having received some queries regarding drinks in school, please see the attached information leaflet. This has been shared with governors this week.

In case of infection – a reminder

Please see information received in school this week from Public Health. This states:

- If children have any of the major symptoms suggesting COVID-19 they must get tested.
- The major symptoms are: new continuous cough, fever, loss of taste or smell.
- Until the test results are back the child and all family members must remain at home and self-isolate, **but only those people who have symptoms need to be tested.**
- **Children who have symptoms of other common illnesses for example a runny nose or upset stomach, do not need to be tested or isolated.** The usual practice applies in these cases.

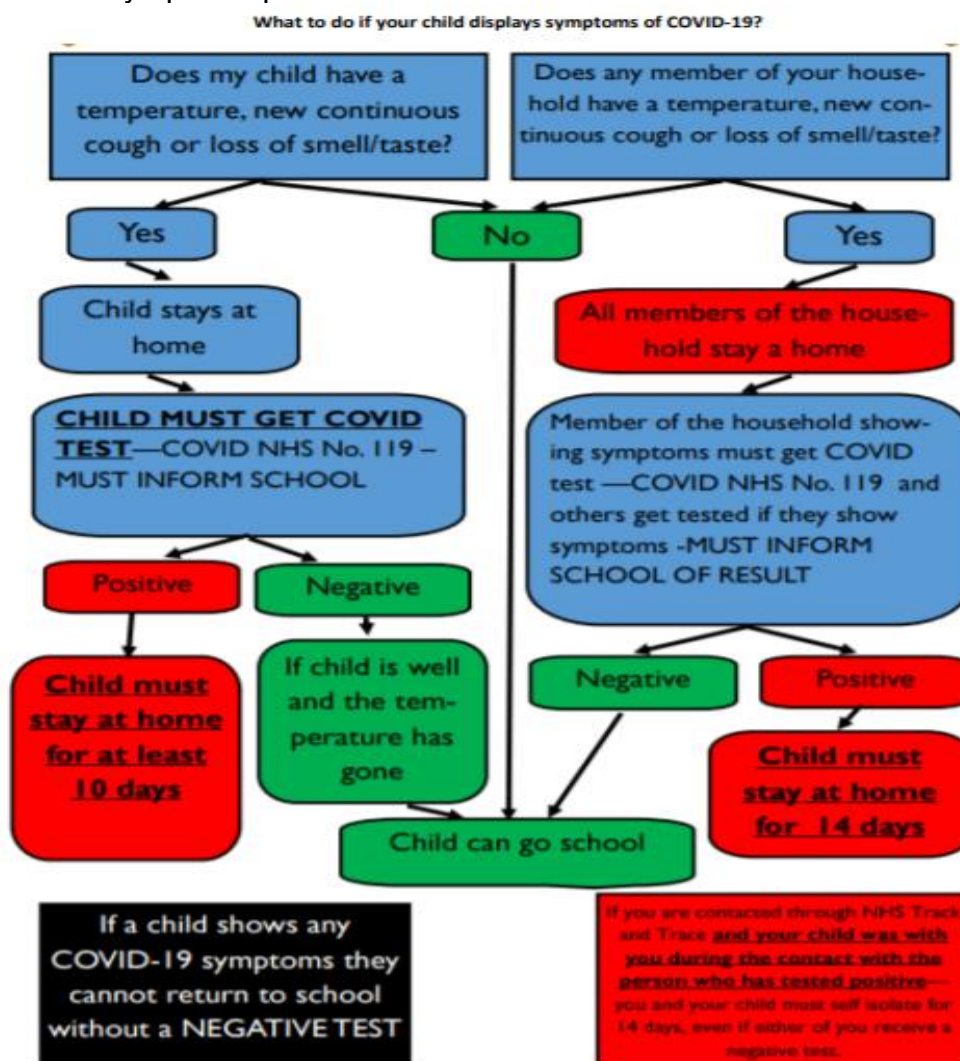
Continuous cough is defined as:

Coughing a lot for more than an hour, or coughing for 3 or more episodes in 24 hours.

If your child exhibits the other symptoms we will contact you. You will then need to follow the government guidance.

The rules have been put in place because we have been given government guidance to follow during a pandemic. School has your child's best interests at heart, and has a responsibility to the community, staff and families. We realise it is not easy to obtain a test at the moment. The rules are there to keep you, your children, and the school staff safe.

Please see the simple flowchart below for what school and home will do in the event that symptoms present:



Please note siblings and parents would be part of the household.
 School has prepared home learning packs; these will be issued to any children who are isolating this week.
 In the event of a whole class / bubble isolation, we will move to our online learning plan.

Policies and procedures

The school has been working hard to review many of the policies and procedures in place. Where there is a substantial amount of historic practices, it does take time to review and refine these. We will be working with the governors to ensure that these are developed this year. Please keep checking in with the website.

Home-learning packs

We realise that some pupils may be off school, not because they are unwell, but as a precaution to isolate as a household. Home learning packs are available in school for these pupils. There was an issue with a paper delivery this week, but they are now prepared. If your child is asked to go home to isolate as part of a household, the office will issue them a pack for their year group. Any pupils currently off isolating, please contact the office and we will arrange to have a pack posted or dropped off as soon as possible.