



## *Whitley & Eggborough Community Primary School*

*Head Teacher: Miss S Langridge  
Learning Lane, Whitley, Goole, DN14 0WE  
Tel: 01977 661247  
Chair of Governors: Miss E Ridley*

20th September 2021

Dear Parents and Carers - in **WILLOW CLASS**

### **Advice from NYCC Public Health**

I am writing to let you know there have been five confirmed cases of COVID-19 within the school community, and your child may have had contact with them during their infectious period.

Schools are no longer expected to identify the close contacts of cases of COVID-19 (unless in very exceptional circumstances) - this is done by the national Test and Trace system.

Test and Trace may be in touch with you in the coming days if your child is identified as a close contact by them, but as a school we will not pass personal contact details on to the case[s] to share with Test and Trace.

Children who are close contacts of someone with COVID-19 are no longer required to isolate unless they develop symptoms. However they are advised to get a PCR test, and they are at a higher risk of developing COVID-19 in the days after the contact. They do not need to isolate while they wait for the result, unless they have symptoms.

Your child should continue to attend school unless they develop symptoms of COVID-19 or are unwell. If they do develop symptoms, please keep your child at home and book a PCR test for them.

The three main symptoms of COVID-19 remain a fever (temperature 37.8°C or higher), a new continuous cough, or a change to/loss of taste or smell. However, other commonly reported symptoms of the Delta variant include headache, sore throat, tiredness, and cold-like symptoms, so please be aware of these as well and stay at home and seek testing if you are in any doubt.

### **Additional information from WECPS**

**We have consulted with our Chair of Governors and in addition to the above we would advise that because your child has been in close contact within the classroom during the period of incubation, that you book a PCR for you child if possible, and as soon as possible administer a LFT. We will be asking teaching staff in this class to do the same.**

**Please note that not all positive cases show symptoms. Symptoms in positive cases from this class have been headaches, high temperature and stomach aches / nausea. 1 case showed no symptoms but tested positive after advice to take LFT from us.**

**We are currently obliged to follow the guidance above received from NYCC Public Health but should this change we will let you know as soon as possible.**

Please note I will be sending a letter from the DfE with further information.

Yours sincerely

Sarah Langridge

Headteacher