



# HAREWOOD NURSERY SCHOOL

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## Important information regarding nursery closure

### FOR PARENTS OF CLOSE CONTACTS OF COVID - 19 AT HAREWOOD NURSERY SCHOOL

Dear Parents and Carers,

#### Advice for your Child to Self-Isolate for 10 Days.

I am writing to let you know that we have received notification of a positive test result for Covid-19 within our school community. We know that you may find this concerning but we are continuing to monitor the situation and are working closely with Public Health England. This letter is to inform you of the current situation and to provide advice on how to support your child. Please be reassured that for most people, coronavirus (COVID-19) will be a mild illness.

Following the advice of the Department for Education and Public Health England we must now close your child's bubble for an isolation period of 10 days. The 10-day period starts from the day when the infected person first person became ill.

#### The Nursery class will be closed from today until Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2021.

You must keep your child in isolation during this time. Other members of your household do not need to isolate.

If your child develops any symptoms of the coronavirus you must get them tested. If your child develops symptoms of COVID-19, they should remain at home for at least 10 days from the date when their symptoms appeared.

Anyone with symptoms will be eligible for testing and this can be arranged via: <https://www.nhs.uk/ask-for-a-coronavirus-test> or by calling 119.

If your child is positive, all other household members who remain well, must stay at home and not leave the house for 10 days. This includes anyone in your 'Support Bubble'. Household members should not go to work, school or public areas and exercise should be taken within the home. The 14-day period starts from the day when the first person in the house became ill.

Further information is available at: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-forhouseholds-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection>

Designated Safeguarding Lead: Miss Natalie Godfrey. Deputy DSL: Mrs Emma McAdam  
Safeguarding Governor: Mrs Sarah Conway.

If you are worried a child is at risk of harm please contact either of the above or Social care Direct: **01924 303456**  
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If you require help with buying groceries, other shopping or picking up medication, or walking a dog, you should ask friends or family. Alternatively, you can order your shopping online and medication by phone or online.

Household members staying at home for 10 days will greatly reduce the overall amount of infection the household could pass on to others in the community. If you are able, move any vulnerable individuals (such as the elderly and those with underlying health conditions) out of your home, to stay with friends or family for the duration of the home isolation period.

## Symptoms:

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

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

**For most people, coronavirus (COVID-19) will be a mild illness.** If your child or anyone in the household does develop symptoms, you can seek advice from NHS 111 at <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/check-if-you-have-coronavirus-symptoms/> or by phoning 111.

## 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

### Do:

- wash your hands with soap and water often – do this for at least 20 seconds
- use hand sanitizer 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/>

Your child's learning is important to us. To help your child to learn at home we will once again be doing the following:

- Providing learning resources and activity ideas on the school website
- Putting activity ideas on our Facebook page
- Providing links to other useful websites
- Ensuring we have the latest information to share with you and endeavor to answer any questions and to deal with any concerns  
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We really do appreciate your patience and support as we deal with this ever-changing situation. We understand that this latest news will have an impact on you and your family and it's far from ideal, but we'll continue to keep in touch with any updates and look forwards to seeing everyone back in school on the 4<sup>th</sup> May.

Thank you for your continued support.

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