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Dear Parents and Carers,

COVID19- UPDATE

I am writing to give an update on the current position in schools and to remind you of the restrictions. Firstly however, I would like to thank you all for your continued support with following all the necessary requirements and continuing to keep our school community safe.

There have now been a number of positive cases across Edinburgh schools and the procedure in primary schools is as follows;

If a child in a class tests positive for Covid, the whole class and any associated staff are required to self-isolate for 14 days. During that 14 day period, the class teacher will deliver learning through Microsoft Teams. This will be very similar to the procedure during the school closure. Learning will also be posted on the website for families who have difficulty accessing Teams.

As yet we have not had to do this however, we are relying on each other following all the necessary restrictions and procedures.

Coughs, colds and other illnesses

In the past week we have seen a return of the cold and the winter vomiting bug and are sending a number of children home on a daily basis. It is becoming increasingly difficult to ascertain whether a cough is part of a cold or a symptom of Covid so **please do not send your child to school if you are unsure.** Please also make sure children are **not coming to school with a temperature.**

If a child has the vomiting bug, they are required to be absent for 48 hours from the time they were last sick.

Current restrictions in school

Children continue to wash/sanitise hands when entering/leaving the classroom

Children remain in their own class groups

Lunch is eaten outdoors whenever possible or in the classroom

Children are in zones in the playground to avoid mixing with other year groups

Year groups are using allocated toilet cubicles

Contact points (door handles, bannisters etc) are cleaned during the day

Staff are wearing face coverings when working closely with children and in communal areas
Classroom windows are open to allow for ventilation

Current restrictions for Parents/Carers

Please remember to remain 2m from other adults and children when dropping off/collecting children

Please continue to wear a face covering in and around the playground.

Please arrive at school just before drop off and pick up times

Please do not send older children to school too early in the morning

Please keep children at home if they are showing any symptoms

Please continue to follow the NHS guidelines on self-isolating if a member of the family tests positive or displays symptoms,

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/self-isolation-and-treatment/when-to-self-isolate-and-what-to-do/>

Please remember to follow any instructions given through Track and Trace or Health Protection Scotland.

If you have any doubts about whether or not you should be sending your child to school, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Thank you again for your continued support,

Maria Gowans
Head Teacher

