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Date	3 March 2022
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Dear Parent/Carer,

COVID-19 – Warn and Inform

You have been given this letter as someone in the school/setting has tested positive for COVID-19. Therefore, we are asking you to be extra careful and monitor your child and your family's health, looking out for any new symptoms.

If necessary, following advice from the Halton Public Health Team, the school/setting may introduce additional measures to control the spread of COVID-19.

What to do if your child develops any COVID-19 symptoms

The main symptoms of COVID-19 are:

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

There is now no legal requirement for your child to self-isolate if they test positive for COVID-19. However, for anyone with symptoms or suspecting they have COVID-19, the advice is to stay at home for five full days and avoid contact with others in line with new updated guidance: [COVID-19: people with COVID-19 and their contacts](#)

If your child is unwell we recommend that they don't attend the school/setting.

If you need to seek medical advice

Seek prompt medical attention if your child's illness is worsening. If it's not an emergency, contact [NHS 111 online](#). If you have no internet access, you should call NHS 111.

If it is an emergency and you need to call an ambulance, dial 999 and inform the call handler or operator that the patient has coronavirus (COVID-19).

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

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- Vaccination is the best way to protect against COVID-19 – more information about who is eligible and how to get a vaccination can be found at [nhs.uk](https://www.nhs.uk)
- If meeting people indoors, have fresh air circulating or meet outdoors
- Letting fresh air in if meeting people indoors, or meeting outside
- Wearing a face covering in crowded and enclosed spaces, especially where you come into contact with people you do not usually meet, when rates of transmission are high
- Trying to stay at home if you are unwell
- Washing your hands regularly

Further Information

The Halton Borough Council website contains information on the range of support that is available for you www.halton.gov.uk . Further information is also available at <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>.

If you do not have access to the internet, you can also call **0303 333 4300** or **0151 511 5200** if you need help or support.

I hope you keep safe and well and I thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely,

The Halton Public Health Team,

Halton Borough Council