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Lionwood Junior School Whole School Newsletter

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Dear Parents/Carers

I am writing to thank parents for reacting so supportively to the letter that was sent out yesterday. As you will have read, we have **NO CONFIRMED CASES of COVID 19 in the school**, and the school remains open.

We expect to have to send out more letters like the one you received yesterday, especially with other illnesses increasing with similar symptoms. We may also have to send out other official letters in line with government guidance.

The safety of children, families and staff remain our top priority. We will do everything we can to keep them safe while working to keep the school open.

In future, a text will be sent out as soon as the person with symptoms is sent home, followed by an email with the letter.

We will inform you of test results via text as well as by letter as soon as we know them.

We have excellent support from the County Council—who help us manage possible and confirmed cases—so experts are on hand to give us the advice and support we need.

DO NOT BRING YOUR CHILD INTO SCHOOL WITH THE COVID-19 SYMPTOMS!

The main symptoms of coronavirus are:

- **a high temperature** – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- **a new, continuous cough** – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- **a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste** – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal. Most people with coronavirus have at least 1 of these symptoms.

What to do if you have symptoms

If you have any of the main symptoms of coronavirus:

1. Get a test to check if you have coronavirus as soon as possible.

You can apply for a test by visiting:

www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing-and-tracing/get-a-test-to-check-if-you-have-coronavirus/

2. Stay at home and do not have visitors until you get your test result – only leave your home to have a test.

Anyone you live with, and anyone in your support bubble, must also stay at home until you get your result.

PE KIT

We are trying to do PE outside as much as possible—so our PE kit has been adapted slightly. They can wear their normal PE kit: Shorts (not baggy) T shirt and school jumper and we are adding the option to wear tracksuit/jogging bottoms or leggings and trainers. Whatever they wear needs to be reasonably smart, warm and they need to be able to move freely.

They are asked to come in this kit on their PE days only so that we can avoid changing.

Breakfast Club

The Breakfast Club has opened on **Monday 7th September** and it will be open every weekday from 8am in morning from then on.

If you would like to book a place —please email the school at office@istnorfolk.co.uk



After-School Club

The After-School Club is opening on **Monday 14th September** and run every day after-school until 6pm at Lionwood Infant School.

If you wish to register and book places , this can only be done by contacting office@istnorfolk.co.uk who will register you with 'Parentmail' so that you can book and pay online.

Home Learning in the Event of Partial or Full Closure

We hope we will not need to implement this—but in the event of having to partially or fully close the school, we will need to provide Home Learning for those children that are at home.

It is really helpful to know parents' preferences about what they want Home Learning to look like. For this reason we have set up a questionnaire and received responses from about half of the parents—thank you to those parents.

It takes a few minutes to fill in—please can we ask you to complete the questionnaire if you have not already done so.

You can find the questionnaire here

https://forms.office.com/Pages/DesignPage.aspx?origin=OfficeDotCom&lang=en-US#FormId=4ZR6__k8UaMf_R5EaIFISixaZjoSYZluTus8Pcm1NdUOERLWTU3Sks3OTI3Q0FJR1RaNU9ZQjhWOC4u

I'll just finish by saying that the children have been settling in to the new arrangements and keeping to the 'bubbles' really well. Thank you to the Pastoral Team who are doing lots of check-ins and making sure that children have someone to go to if they have any worries. Thank you to parents/carers for your continued support —it is a privilege to lead such a wonderful school.

Maria Cornish