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Dear Parents,

I am writing to stress the importance of not sending children into school if any members of your household have symptoms of COVID-19 or are awaiting the results of COVID-19 tests. There have been several instances lately where children have attended school whilst household members were symptomatic and awaiting test outcomes. In some instances, family members have subsequently tested positive. National guidance is clear that **ALL** members of a household must isolate if any member of the household has symptoms. If the household member tests positive, then the child must isolate for 14 days from when symptoms of their family member started. If the household member tests negative, children may return to school if they are well enough.

Sending a child to school when a member of your household may be positive for COVID-19 makes it very difficult for us to control the spread of the virus. We are doing everything that we can to minimise the risk to children in school but are relying on families to follow this guidance to help us do so.

If your child has to isolate for any reason, including as a result of a positive case in their school bubble, they should not leave their home for any reason during this period. All exercise should be taken in private gardens. Families can be fined if they do not follow this national guidance.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rachael Kilmister', on a white rectangular background.

Rachael Kilmister  
Headteacher