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Dear parent/carers,

Welcome back to our final half term of this academic year. Where has the year gone? This half term is always action-packed with many school activities going on including transition for the next school year. It's all very exciting.

As we await the guidance on the easing of the restrictions, we are keeping our fingers crossed that we may be able to have some parental spectators at sports day etc. We will keep you informed but be rest assured, if we can, we will!

We have received some information from Public Health England regarding what should happen when a positive case has been identified in school and your child is considered a close contact. Previously, if a child was in close contact with a positive case, they would need to isolate for a period of 10 days. The advice now is that **all** people who have been in close contact with a positive case should go for a PCR test. This measure is to ensure that any additional cases can be identified, including when people have no symptoms. This will help to identify and isolate cases, prevent onward transmission and minimise the number of cases in Warrington.

Should we have a positive case in school, we will notify you in the usual way of a telephone call and a follow up letter. You will be directed to www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test to book a PCR test. You will be asked if your child has COVID symptoms. If your child has no symptoms, you should select 'No' and proceed through the questions until you get to the question:

Why are you asking for a test? You should select the box that says – **I've been told to get a test by my local council, health protection team or healthcare professional.**

The option then states: **My local council or health protection team has asked me to get a test, even though I do not have symptoms.**

You will then be able to proceed to book the test.

As always, we will keep you informed of any further changes or development.



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Kind regards,

Mrs Jayne Narraway

Head Teacher

