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Covid-19 outbreak - plans for the final week of term

Dear parents and carers

Class 5 We have now had three positive cases of Covid-19 in Class 5 over the course of the past 10 days. This reaches the threshold to be considered an outbreak. As such we are introducing some additional mitigations:

- Class 5 will have separate break times
- At lunch time, Class 5 will have lunch after all other children have finished in the hall.
- There will be no whole school assemblies this week.

Court Hill At present, we have one positive case of Covid-19 within the group of children who will be attending the Court Hill residential trip on Wednesday and Thursday. We will monitor this situation closely and will consider postponing the trip if there are further cases. Please remember that if your child is unwell during the trip at any point, we may need to contact you to ask you to collect your child.

Attendance Consistently good attendance (usually considered 95% and above) is vital: children with high absenteeism make less progress and achieve less well than their peers whose attendance is good. However, under the current circumstances, we would like you to exercise caution; if your child is ill with what you would normally consider to be cough/cold symptoms, please consider keeping them at home. We advise that you book a PCR test in these circumstances. I know that these are unpleasant for children and inconvenient for parents, but we must all work together to keep the school community healthy and to minimise the impact on the children's education.

Remote learning We continue to provide remote learning on MS Teams for those children who are self-isolating due to Covid-19 but who are well enough to complete school work. If a child is ill, we do not expect them to complete any work set.

If you wish to discuss any of the above further, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Best wishes

Mr J. Veness