

24th June 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

Unfortunately, Covid-19 cases seem to be rising again in our area and a number of schools in North Yorkshire have recently had to close bubbles due to children testing positive.

We want to avoid this happening at Moorside and keep our children and local community safe. Therefore, we need to have more details of children's symptoms if they are absent from school due to illness. When reporting that your child is ill, you will be asked:

- do they have a temperature?
- do they have a new continuous cough?
- do they have a loss of taste and/or smell?
- could they be displaying other symptoms that maybe Covid related?

If children are displaying any of the above symptoms, then the following process must be followed:

1. Your household must isolate.
2. Your child must have a **PCR test** (not a lateral flow test as the lateral flow test is only if individuals are asymptomatic, not if symptoms are being displayed).
3. Please notify school of the outcome of the test ASAP.
4. Siblings must not attend school until test results are known. If test results are negative, then siblings can return to school.

As always, we really appreciate your help and support in following the above guidelines.

Best Wishes,



Mrs C Rowett
Headteacher