

Date: Sunday 25th October 2020

FOR PARENTS OF CLOSE CONTACTS OF COVID 19 at Chandag Infant School and Wraparound Care

Advice for child to self-isolate for 14 days

Dear parent/carer,

We have been advised that there has been a new confirmed case of COVID-19 within Chandag Infant School/Zest Childcare.

Isolation advice

In line with national guidance and following advice from the DFE, we are asking your child to stay at home and self-isolate for 14 days from the last day when contact may have taken place. This affects children in **Reception at CIS whom attended school on 19th October and children whom attended Zest Childcare on 16th, 19th or 20th October.** Isolation periods are illustrated below.

Date of last contact	Isolation period	Date to end isolation
Friday 16 th October if your child attended breakfast or after school care at ZCC on this date only.	14 days	Friday 30 th October
Monday 19 th October if your child attended breakfast or after school care at ZCC on this date only.	14 days	Monday 2 nd November
Tuesday 20 th October if your child attended breakfast school care at ZCC on this date only	14 days	Tuesday 3 rd November
Monday 19 th October if you child attended Badger or Hedgehog class on this day.	14 days	Monday 2 nd November
If your child attended ZCC on multiple dates, isolation is calculated from the last date that they attended, either 16 th , 19 th or 20 th .	14 days from last date attended.	Depending on start of isolation, 14 days.

The person who has tested positive was in the Reception Bubble on Monday 19th October and in Zest childcare on 16th, 19th and 20th. Please note that your child has been identified in line with national guidance on what constitutes a contact and therefore the whole Reception year group and ZCC attendees on the above dates are being asked to self-isolate at this point.

We are asking you to do this to reduce the further spread of COVID 19 to others in the community.

If your child is well at the end of the 14 days period of self-isolation, then they can return to usual activities.

Other members of your household can continue normal activities provided your child does not develop symptoms within the 14 day self-isolation period. This also applies to other school aged children within your household who

should continue to attend school unless a member of your household develops symptoms, in which case they should also self-isolate for 14 days from the onset of the symptoms.

Please see the link to the PHE Staying at Home Guidance

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection>

What to do if your child develops symptoms of COVID 19

If your child develops symptoms of COVID-19, **you should organise for your child to be tested** via the [NHS online portal](#) or by calling 119. Your household should isolate until you receive the test results giving the all clear.

Symptoms of COVID 19

The most common symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are recent onset of:

- new continuous cough and/or
- high temperature and/or
- a loss of, or change in, normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

For most people, coronavirus (COVID-19) will be a mild illness.

How to stop COVID-19 spreading

There are things you can do to help reduce the risk of you and anyone you live with getting ill with COVID-19

Do:

- wash your hands with soap and water often – do this for at least 20 seconds
- use hand sanitiser gel if soap and water are not available
- wash your hands as soon as you get home
- cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your sleeve (not your hands) when you cough or sneeze
- put used tissues in the bin immediately and wash your hands afterwards

Flu vaccination

We would like to take this opportunity to remind you and your family to have the flu vaccination if you are eligible for this, especially if you are in a risk group. You can find out about risk groups and whether you are eligible for a flu vaccine at the [NHS Flu vaccine overview](#).

Further information

Further information is available at

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>

Remote Learning

Remote learning will not be set during the holiday or on the Inset Day. All children are expected to return on Tuesday 3rd November as long as they have not developed symptoms or tested positive for COVID-19.

Cleaning

Deep cleaning will take place over the half term break.

Thank you for your support and understanding in this – we have followed guidance from the Department for Education in this decision and continue to work under national guidance.

Questions

The school email inbox will be monitored during the holiday for any questions you may have. Please use this method of communication rather than Facebook. The central WMAT administration team can be contacted by telephone during Office hours, Monday to Friday: 0117 946 1229.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "A Smart".

Headteacher and ZCC Manager

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Chief Executive