

# St Matthias Church of England Primary School

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Dear Parent/Carer,

## Year 5

We are aware of another confirmed case of COVID-19 in year 5, bringing the total to 2 cases, and would like to assure you that we are monitoring the situation and are working closely with Public Health colleagues to implement measures, which will minimise risk to pupils and staff in school.

Please be reassured that for most people, coronavirus (COVID-19) will be a mild illness. St Matthias Primary School and year 5 remains open and your child should continue to attend as normal if they remain well. We encourage household members that are aged 11 and over to continue with twice weekly LFD testing which will help to identify cases promptly (especially where individuals may not feel unwell).

**Please remember to keep an eye out for symptoms of COVID-19: a high temperature, a continuous dry cough and/or a loss of a sense of taste / smell. If your child develops these symptoms, they should get a PCR test and remain at home at least until the result is known. If negative, your child can end self-isolation; if positive, the child should isolate until at least 5 days after their symptoms appear, followed by a negative lateral flow test on day 5 and 6. See Hackney's website (<https://hackney.gov.uk/coronavirus-support>) for more information about getting tested.**

If you think your child may be a close contact to someone who has tested positive for COVID-19, but you have not been contacted directly by NHS Test and Trace, please follow the guidance here: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-for-contacts-of-people-with-possible-or-confirmed-coronavirus-covid-19-infection-who-do-not-live-with-the-person/>

Yours sincerely,

Kate Redman  
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