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Dear Parents and Carers,

The DfE have issued a request to all schools to assist Public Health teams with Covid contact tracing over the school's half-term which is Monday 15 February – Friday 19 February 2021.

We are asking you to get in touch with school next week in the following circumstances:

- a) if your child develops symptoms of Covid19 within 48 hours of being in school, and**
- b) you receive a positive test result up to and including Friday 19 February 2021.**

If you need to get in touch with school, please email me kate.mather@ludlowprimaryschool.co.uk.

The main symptoms of Covid19 are:

A high temperature – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature), **a new, continuous cough** – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual), **a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste** – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal. If your child has any of these symptoms, get a test to check if they have coronavirus and stay at home until you get the result.

Thank you for all your support and understanding during the last few months, it is much appreciated by myself and all the staff at school.

School re-opens to children of critical workers and vulnerable children on Monday 22 February 2021.

As yet, we have not received any information from the DfE regarding the reopening of schools after March 8. The Prime Minister is expected to make an announcement on February 22.

Yours sincerely,

Kate Mather
Headteacher