

10th December 2021

Dear parents/carers,

Re: Doubletrees School COVID Outbreak

As you are aware, several people at Doubletrees School have tested positive for COVID-19.

We have also been made aware of several children at Doubletrees School who have diarrhoea and vomiting symptoms. It is known that diarrhoea and vomiting can sometimes be a feature of Covid19 in children.

The school has been working closely with UKHSA, Public Health in Cornwall and partners. We have discussed the current situation and have reviewed all the actions and procedures in place to make the school as safe as possible.

During the incident management team meeting held yesterday with the school, UKHSA and Public Health in Cornwall it was unanimously felt that the school is following the existing guidance for schools to limit the spread of the virus including:

- Quick identification and isolation of cases
- Daily staff testing to identify further cases
- Following a rigorous cleaning regime, including use of regular hand sanitisers and cleaning wipes.
- Ventilating classrooms and using CO2 monitors to monitor ventilation
- Class bubbles maintained within the school
- Regular communications with pupils, staff and parents to reinforce measures and keep people up to date.

In view of the on-going outbreak and the clinical vulnerability of the children within the setting, the incident management team recommends that children living with a confirmed Covid19 case should not attend Doubletrees school.

Please ensure you do not send your child into school if they are unwell.

If you or your child develops symptoms of Covid19, please test yourselves and children (if possible).

The school will provide remote learning support to those children who are unable to come to school but remain well enough to access education.

UKHSA and Public Health in Cornwall will continue to work with the school and advise them as necessary.

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