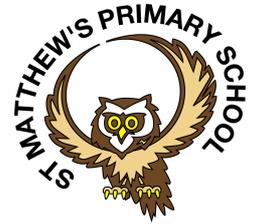


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Friday 9th July 2021

TO THE PARENTS OF OTTER CLASS

As you already know, Otter Class bubble was closed this morning due to their contact with a confirmed Covid case. I have been working with Public Health England to ensure that all arrangements and precautions are in place.

Public Health has reaffirmed that we have very strict measures and procedures in place which will help to reduce the risk of transmission and we will continue to follow all advice meticulously.

Your child needs to self-isolate. This is because your child has had direct contact with the positive case.

Your child will have to isolate at home until midnight on Saturday 17th July 2021.

Any other family members can continue to leave the home, unless your child develops any symptoms of COVID 19.

YOUR CHILD CAN RETURN TO SCHOOL ON MONDAY 19th JULY 2021

Today Public Health England asked us if there is more than one case in a bubble. To help us give this information we are now asking you to get your child tested using a rapid or PCR test, and let us know if it is positive. To book a PCR test call 119. Rapid tests are widely available free, from chemists, supermarkets or can be ordered online and delivered within 24 hours. We do have a limited number available in school too.

Your child will be able to access remote learning from 10.30am today until 3.30pm. This will continue 9.30am-3.30pm every school day for the rest of their isolation. Mr Bumpus will expect your child online during these times. Should your child need a laptop or tablet to work remotely, please let the school office know on 01582 723970 and we will get one to you.

As always, any problems please email admin.stmatthews@smmps.uk.

If you have any difficulties in getting siblings into school, who are not isolating, please contact the school office and we will do all we can to help, case by case.

There are now public funds that make £500 available to parents who have to supervise a child who needs to self isolate. Contact Mrs Hanif, our School Family Worker to find out how to apply on 01582 723970 EXT 214.

We appreciated these are challenging times for families so thank you for your patience and ongoing support.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Jane Thomas'.

Ms Jane Thomas
Headteacher