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Dear Parent/Carer,

I am writing to let you know there have been five confirmed cases of COVID-19 within the school community, and your child may have had contact with them during their infectious period. Schools are no longer expected to identify the close contacts of cases of COVID-19 (unless in very exceptional circumstances - this is done by the national Test and Trace system).

Test and Trace may be in touch with you in the coming days if your child is identified as a close contact by them, but as a school we will not pass personal contact details on to the case[s] to share with Test and Trace. Children who are close contacts of someone with COVID-19 are no longer required to isolate unless they develop symptoms. However, they are advised to undertake daily lateral flow testing for 7 days as they are at a higher risk of developing COVID-19 in the days after the contact.

Your child should continue to attend school unless they develop symptoms of COVID-19 or are unwell. If they do develop symptoms, please keep your child at home and book a PCR test for them. The 3 main symptoms of COVID-19 remain a fever (temperature 37.8OC or higher), a new continuous cough, or a change to/loss of taste or smell. However, other commonly reported symptoms of the Delta variant include headache, sore throat, tiredness, and cold-like symptoms, so please be aware of these as well and stay at home and seek testing if you are in any doubt.

Kind regards
Sarah Taylor
Head teacher