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Dear Parent/Carers

I wanted to update you about the current situation with COVID cases in school. Unfortunately, we are still experiencing both staff and student new cases which we are texting you about if it involves someone in your son/daughter's class.

We are doing our best to ensure classes are staffed appropriately but on occasions we have had to make the decision, based on safety, to temporarily close a class for a day. Before we come to this decision, we do explore what other options are available to us, for example using staff across different classes or grouping pupils differently. We will only close a class as a last resort.

Unfortunately, swimming is an activity that requires higher levels of staffing so please be aware that we may not be able to offer all these sessions this week. Again, we will do our best, but it may not be possible with current staffing levels.

We have also made the decision to cancel after school clubs again this week.

Please continue to support us by keeping an eye out for symptoms, especially if you have a family case and testing where it is possible to do so. If your son/daughter is negative on day 5 and day 6 on a lateral flow test they can return to school. If you are unable to test, then it is a 10-day isolation period before returning.

If you need to contact the school then the parentsupport@forestway.leics.sch.uk email is monitored out of hours, or alternatively please call the office to talk to a member of the senior leadership team.

Thank you for your understanding and support.

Best wishes

Gail Seaton
Headteacher

