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Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2020

Dear parents and carers,

I am writing to confirm that we have had two positive cases of Covid-19 at school. One in Y1 and one in Y3. Under the current guidance, we had no choice but to close these year group bubbles for 14 days from the date the positive tests were taken (Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> September).

The Y1 and Y3 bubbles will re-open on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> and children can return to school on this date unless they have been tested as positive in the meantime or if they are displaying Covid-19 symptoms.

The cases were confirmed at different times on Sunday evening which made communicating and providing the correct guidance in a short space of time a challenge, however no Y1 or Y3 children arrived on site this morning

I would like to reassure you that the Y1 and Y3 bubbles have not come into contact with the other year groups at school and our year group bubble system and logistics have worked well.

We understand that these are very worrying times for everyone and we recognise your concerns but again, I would like to reassure you that we are following all of the necessary guidance and have effective control measures in place to avoid cross-contamination.

I would like to apologise if the council guidance sent out this morning caused any confusion but we are trying to keep the entire school community informed of the whole school situation as swiftly as we can whilst ensuring parents with multiple children receive both sets of guidance as quickly as possible.

We will continue with our robust control measures and sincerely hope that we do not have to close any other year group bubbles.

Thank you for your continued support. The link below will take you to the Covid-19 section of the website. All the necessary and most up to date guidance can be found here.

<https://www.ernesfordgrange-coventry.org.uk/covid-19/>

### **Google Classroom**

Whilst the children are at home, we will continue to use Google Classroom for home learning. Daily maths and English tasks will continue to be uploaded along with learning and activities related to their topics. We will also aim to use zoom meetings when appropriate, so the children can speak to a group of friends and interact with their teacher. The invitations required, codes and details about zoom meetings will be communicated through Google classroom.

Thank you for your patience, support and understanding during this challenging time.

Best wishes

Ian Taylor  
Headteacher