

Newsletter

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THE SYMPTOMS

CONTINUOUS

COUGH

TEMPERATURE OR

FEVER

LOSS/CHANGE IN

TASTE

LOSS/CHANGE IN

SMELL

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends of Christ Church,

Parable of the week: The Mustard Seed

This week we are thinking about The Parable of The Mustard Seed (*Matthew 13:31–32*). This is about a tiny seed that grows into a huge tree. Jesus tells his disciples that this is a way of understanding what the Kingdom of Heaven is like – it is also something that starts *really small* (a few people hearing the message of Jesus) and *becomes something enormous* (millions of Christians around the world following the message of Jesus). This is the parable Jesus told ...



The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed, which a man took and planted in his field. Though it is the smallest of all seeds, yet when it grows, it is the largest of garden plants and becomes a tree, so that the birds come and perch in its branches.

COVID-19 bubble closure

On Wednesday 25th November, we were made aware that one child in our Pearl Class bubble had tested positive for coronavirus (COVID-19). Following the national guidance, we closed the bubble and informed parents that Pearl Class pupils would need to self-isolate at home until Thursday 3rd December. We look forward to welcoming Pearl Class back to school on Friday 4th December.

COVID-19 safety

Thank you for your cooperation and support as we work together to protect our pupils, their families, our school and nursery staff, and the wider community. Please follow the UK Government's lockdown rules:

- not mixing households
- social distancing when you line up to drop off or pick up your child(ren)
- wearing a face covering when you line up to drop off or pick up your child(ren).

COVID-19 fines

See page 2 of this Newsletter for the latest guidance from Somerset County Council. Please remember that refusing to self-isolate when told to is illegal in England, with fines of up to £10,000.

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COVID-19 (coronavirus) testing: A quick guide

What to do if...	Action needed	Back to school...
 <p>...my child has COVID-19 (coronavirus) symptoms*</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Child shouldn't attend school Child should get a test Whole household self-isolates while waiting for test result Inform school immediately about test results Child shouldn't attend school Child self-isolates for at least 10 days from when symptoms* started (or from day of test if no symptoms) Inform school immediately about test results Whole household self-isolates for 14 days from day when symptoms* started (or from day of test if no symptoms) – even if someone else tests negative during those 14 days 	<p>...when child's test comes back negative (if child no longer has symptoms and is well)</p> <p>...after 10 days isolation, if child feels better and has been without a fever for at least 48 hours</p> <p>They can return to school after 10 days even if they have a cough or loss of smell / taste. These symptoms can last for several weeks once the infection is gone.</p>
 <p>...my child tests positive for COVID-19 (coronavirus)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Child shouldn't attend school Household member with symptoms should get a test while waiting for test result Inform school immediately about test results Child shouldn't attend school Whole household self-isolates for 14 days from day when symptoms* started (or from day of test if no symptoms) – even if someone else tests negative during those 14 days 	<p>...when household member test is negative, and child does not have COVID-19 symptoms*</p> <p>...when child has completed 14 days of self-isolation, even if they test negative during the 14 days</p>
 <p>...somebody in my household has COVID-19 (coronavirus) symptoms*</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Child shouldn't attend school Household member with symptoms should get a test while waiting for test result Inform school immediately about test results Child shouldn't attend school Whole household self-isolates for 14 days from day when symptoms* started (or from day of test if no symptoms) – even if someone else tests negative during those 14 days 	<p>...when household member test is negative, and child does not have COVID-19 symptoms*</p> <p>...when child has completed 14 days of self-isolation, even if they test negative during the 14 days</p>
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* Symptoms include at least one of a high temperature; a new continuous cough; a loss of or change to your sense of smell or taste. See more at:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/symptoms/>

For further information: gov.uk/backtoschool

What to do if...	Action needed	Back to school...
 <p>...NHS Test and Trace has identified my child as a 'close contact' of somebody with symptoms* or confirmed COVID-19 (coronavirus)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Child shouldn't attend school Child self-isolates for 14 days (as advised by NHS Test and Trace) – even if they test negative during those 14 days Rest of household does not need to self-isolate, unless they are a 'close contact' too 	<p>...when the child has completed 14 days of self-isolation, even if they test negative during those 14 days</p>
 <p>...we / my child has travelled and has to self-isolate as part of a period of quarantine</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do not take unauthorised leave in term time Consider quarantine requirements and FCO advice when booking travel Provide information to school as per attendance policy <p>Returning from a destination where quarantine is needed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Child shouldn't attend school Whole household self-isolates for 14 days – even if they test negative during those 14 days 	<p>...when the quarantine period of 14 days has been completed for the child, even if they test negative during those 14 days</p>
 <p>...we have received advice from a medical / official source that my child must resume shielding</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Child shouldn't attend school Contact school as advised by attendance officer / pastoral team Child should shield until you are informed that restrictions are lifted and shielding is paused again 	<p>...when school / other agencies inform you that restrictions have been lifted and your child can return to school again</p>
 <p>...I am not sure who should get a test for COVID-19 (coronavirus)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only people with symptoms* need to get a test People without symptoms are not advised to get a test, even if they are a 'close contact' of someone who tests positive 	<p>...when conditions above, as matching your situation, are met</p>