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Dear Parents/guardians,

We are writing to inform you that Rowhill School has many COVID-19 cases in the Primary phase of the school. This has resulted in 50% off staff being absent within the Primary phase of the school. Therefore, we have had to take the action to close some of the Primary classes each day. We have made this decision based on advice from Public Health England and on the grounds of Health & safety. The closure schedule for next week is outlined below.

Classes closed this week.

Tuesday 12th July Eagles & Sharks.

Wednesday 13th July Scorpions & Sharks.

Thursday 14th July Elephants & Pythons.

Friday 15th July Eagles.

If there are further closures for the last week of term then we will inform you of them as soon as possible. We know that you may find Covid-19 being in the school concerning, but we are continuing to monitor the situation and are working closely with the UK Health Security Agency. This letter is to inform you of the current situation and provide advice on how to support your child. Please be reassured that for most children, coronavirus (COVID-19) will be a mild illness.

All students and staff, regardless of year group, should remain vigilant regarding COVID-19. All parents are advised that when their child has Covid-19 symptoms or is feeling unwell to do a test before sending them to school.

The main symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are a new, continuous cough, or a high temperature, or a loss of, or change in, their normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia).



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How to stop coronavirus (COVID-19) spreading

There are things you can do to help reduce the risk of you and anyone you live with getting ill with coronavirus (COVID-19): [guidance on how to stay safe and help prevent the spread](#)

- get vaccinated – everyone aged 11 and over can [book COVID-19 vaccination appointments](#) now.
- wash your hands with soap and water or use hand sanitiser regularly throughout the day
- cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your sleeve (not your hands) when you cough or sneeze
- put used tissues in the bin immediately and wash your hands afterwards
- meet people outside and avoid crowded areas
- open doors and windows to let in fresh air if meeting people inside
- wear a face covering when it's hard to stay away from other people – particularly indoors or in crowded places

Further Information

Further information is available at

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

Yours sincerely

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