

Dear Parent/Carer

Covid-19 information

This is to inform you that a confirmed case of Covid-19 has been reported in a person with links to Lornshill Academy.

All close contacts of the case have been identified and advised to follow the latest guidance on self-isolation and testing which is available on the [NHS Inform.scot](https://www.nhs.uk/inform) website.

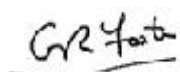
There is no requirement for you or your child to self-isolate unless you have been advised to do so by school or NHS Test and Protect staff. The school has a wide range of measures in place, supported with regular testing of staff, to reduce the potential transmission of Covid-19 within the school environment.

The school remains open in line with current Scottish Government guidelines and if your child has **not** been advised that they are a relevant close contact and remains well, they can continue to attend school as normal.

Anyone with symptoms of a new and persistent cough, fever, altered or absent sense of taste or smell should stay at home and get a PCR test.

If you require further information or have any questions, please see the enclosed Fact Sheet, visit NHS Inform or contact Mr Burrell at the school.

Yours sincerely

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Dr Graham Foster
Director of Public Health
NHS Forth Valley

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Catherine Quinn
Interim Chief Education Officer
Clackmannanshire Council

Fact Sheet

General Information

For general information on Covid-19 visit [NHS Inform](#) or [Parent Club](#)

Keep testing regularly, even without symptoms

Regular testing even when you don't have symptoms can help keep you and your school community safe. If your child is at secondary school, they can access free LFD tests from the school, to allow them to test twice-weekly at home as long as they have no symptoms. Please contact the school directly to ask about this if your child is having problems accessing tests.

Please encourage your child to test twice-weekly, and to record all positive, negative or void results on the online reporting portal at: www.nhsinform.scot/campaigns/coronavirus-covid-19-report-your-test-result. Reporting results helps public health experts understand what is happening with Covid-19 in your area, so they can take early action to address any problems.

In addition, you and the rest of your family, including primary school-aged children, can access free test kits through from Covid test centres, pharmacies or by post. More information can be found at: www.gov.scot/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-getting-tested/pages/no-covid-symptoms.

What to do if your child develops symptoms of Covid-19

If your child develops any symptoms of Covid-19 they must not come to school and they must get tested for COVID-19. Find out more on [NHS Inform](#). The symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are:

- a new continuous cough and/or
- a high temperature and/or
- a loss of, or change in, taste or smell (anosmia).

All other household members of your child (including yourself) must also stay at home and book a PCR a test at [NHS Inform](#) at your nearest Covid-19 test site. You can also order a home PCR test kit [online](#), or by calling 119.

It is important that anyone with one or more of the COVID-19 symptoms gets tested, so that anyone who tests positive knows to continue to stay at home and self-isolate. This will help stop the spread of coronavirus.

For most people, coronavirus (COVID-19) will be a mild illness however if your child develops symptoms you can seek advice from [NHS Inform](#).