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Dear Parent/Carer,

We must inform you that there has been a positive COVID case within your Year 1 child's class bubble. Therefore, the Year 1 class bubble has closed and Year 1 pupils must self-isolate up to and including Sunday 11th July as they are considered close contacts of the affected person.

We understand the inconvenience of closing a bubble, especially during this busy half term but we are following government guidance by asking you to do this in order to reduce the further spread of COVID 19 to others in the community.

Other members of the household including siblings in other classes do not have to self-isolate at this point.

However, if your child begins to display symptoms whilst self-isolating they should have a PCR test to confirm whether or not they have Covid. Other members of the household must also then self-isolate until test results are returned.

If the test is negative your child should still self-isolate for the stated time period.

If the test is positive, they need to restart their 10 day self-isolation period, along with other members of the household.

Just as a reminder, main symptoms of COVID 19 include:

**new continuous cough and/or
high temperature
a loss of, or change in, your normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)**

Mrs Rothwell will be adding work and activity ideas to the class webpage from tomorrow morning in order to provide remote learning whilst the Year 1 class are self-isolating.

Please check the Year 1 class page for more information over the next few days as Mrs Rothwell will be preparing paper packs ready for collection on Monday.

If your child needs to borrow a laptop from school in order to access remote learning, please contact the school office as soon as possible to arrange collection.

We will also be arranging food parcels for those children who are usually provided with a school meal. More information about this will follow.

In the meantime, if you have any queries, please contact the school office, or email me at head@stmarys.romerocat.com and I will try to answer your questions as soon as possible. Further information can be found on [Guidance for contacts of people with confirmed coronavirus \(COVID-19\) infection who do not live with the person - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Claire Mills
Headteacher