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Dear Parents/Carers,

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We have had confirmation of a positive COVID case in Oketor class today and are currently awaiting results from other children. We have spoken to Public Health England this morning and are following all necessary guidance. I want to reassure parents that we are putting all relevant measures in place to ensure that we are keeping our children, parents and community safe.

For the remainder of this term the children will be operating as separate bubbles. Littlemoor children will enter and exit their classroom as normal, with Oketor children entering and exiting the building from the main front entrance of the school. The children will have their own designated outside space to play in during breaktimes and lunchtimes and will eat their lunches separately in class bubbles.

Due to these changes, we will be unable to record the performance of the play as the children would normally be mixing together in order to perform their scenes. Instead, staff will record their classes singing the songs from 'Lights, Camel, Action' next week and send the link out to parents. We plan to delay our Christmas performance until the new year when we have all the children able to participate in the play and hopefully all parents able to watch a live performance.

We know how upsetting this news may be, but we are doing our utmost to ensure, as always, that the safety of all our children and staff is the top priority. We will continue as always with regular handwashing and the school will be well ventilated as it always has been.

If your child develops any COVID symptoms, we suggest that they take a lateral flow test and follow the latest government guidance. If a child develops symptoms at school, we will contact you to take them home and carry out a lateral flow and PCR testing if necessary. Alongside this letter, is an accompanying letter from Public Health England outlining further guidance.

Once again, I want to take this opportunity to thank all our parents for their patience and understanding through these challenging times.

Mrs Cook