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## Derwentwater COVID Safety Measures Update

Dear Parents and Carers,

### Covid Case in Aktiva After School Club

We are pleased that school remains open and school life is continuing for the majority of our pupils. However, a positive case of Coronavirus in the Aktiva afterschool club of a member of staff has been reported. We have had to ask three children to self-isolate. All safety measures have been followed and Public Health have informed us of what actions to take.

### Government Guidance and School Expectations

We have seen a decline in our attendance this week as families follow guidance and self isolate after displaying Covid symptoms. If a member of a household has symptoms of Covid, the rest of the household needs to quarantine for 14 days or until a test comes back negative.

We understand that children can get a high temperature (High temperature (fever) in children) for a range of reasons but the only way we can know it is not Covid is by asking families to engage with testing or to keep the child with symptoms at home for 10 days from when symptoms started and the rest of the household at home for an extra 4 days.

It is crucial that we all follow the government guidance in order to protect the entire school and community. Children will be sent back home along with their siblings if they return before the quarantine time is complete or if a Covid test has not come back as negative. We hope you understand that we have to follow the government guidance to reduce the spread of the virus.

### Changes this week:

Parents and Carers:

- Years 3 to 6 are now picked up from the football pitch to improve social distancing.

Staff and Children:

- An increased expectation of social distancing between children in shared areas.

### Google Classroom and Remote Learning:

School would like all families to engage with Google Classroom as our remote/home learning platform. It is crucial that, in the event of absence from school, learning continues at home as

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much as possible so children's progress can be maintained. This week's newsletter will include further information on how to access Google Classroom and what to do if you have any issues.

Thank you for your support, patience and cooperation, it is greatly appreciated.

Yours sincerely

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