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Dear Parents/Carers

We are sorry to have to inform you that we now have NINETEEN positive Covid-19 cases in our school, plus two members of staff. This means we have now met the threshold for further control measures to be put in place to limit the spread of the virus. The vast majority of cases are in Class 4 at the moment but there are cases in other classes too (two in Class 2 and one in Class 3).

Whilst many of these measures are internal, such as no assemblies and additional cleaning, there are measures which need to be implemented at home. This advice has come from Public Health Shropshire:-

- Daily lateral flow testing of all children in class 4 regardless of symptoms. Please test first thing in the morning BEFORE school. If your child tests positive, it must be reported to school and the NHS Test and Trace.
- Regular testing of <u>all</u> children is highly recommended until the number of infections in school falls below 5 in any one class/group or 10% of the school population.
- As we have had positive cases in our Sunrise/Sunset club it has been recommended that parents with children in Class 4 and their siblings should, wherever possible, refrain from using this provision until the level of infection falls below the threshold.
- If your child is generally unwell, regardless of the lateral flow negative test (which is not always reliable,) please keep your child off school.

We will be putting additional measures in school internally, and trust you will support us by following the above Public Health advice.

As half term is fast approaching, please be extra vigilant to ensure we all have a well earned healthy break.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Yours faithfully

S L Woolley Headteacher