

Charlestown Community Primary School

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Dear Parents and carers,

It is with a heavy heart that I write this letter. Due to a midday supervisor in Nursery testing positive this morning, we now need to close nursery after just three days of being open.

We have also had to close the Y2 and Y1 key worker bubbles this week due to 2 child positive cases and an agency member of staff testing positive. Since then, two more staff in KS1 have tested positive and one is awaiting a result but is unwell. All staff have followed 2m guidance, our windows are open in the classroom, children are distanced where possible, facing the front and handwashing and cleaning is to a very high standard – I am not sure what else to do as we are following all the recommendations. Reception and years 3-6 remain open.

Home learning will be set for all the children but this will vary from year group to year group. If you need a device, we currently have a waiting list. Please contact Higginbotham.p@charlestown.manchester.sch.uk if you wish to be added to this list. We are waiting for new ipads to be delivered so will let you know as soon as these are here and set up.

If your child is entitled to Free School Meals, lunches can be arranged. Please contact Denham.n@charlestown.manchester.sch.uk if you would like a lunch for your child. We are also trying to sort vouchers out to replace the weekly meal offer as we feel this will be in your best interests. Please bear with us, as you can see, we are very low on staff at the moment.

As always, if you have any concerns or questions during this challenging time, please do not hesitate to contact the school or speak to us on the gate. It is really important that we work together for the good of your children during this incredibly difficult time.

Yours sincerely

Allison Collis
Headteacher