### **People Directorate**

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**Dear Parent/Carer** 

### **COVID-19 cases in Gardenrose PS & EYC**

We have been made aware of one or more cases of COVID-19 (Coronavirus) in your child's school.

### What do I need to do now?

You or your child do not need to self-isolate unless you are contacted by Test and Protect (this could be a phone call or a text). If you or your child has not been contacted by Test and Protect and showing **no** symptoms of COVID-19, they can continue to attend school as normal.

### We recommend that your child takes an LFD test

To help reduce further spread of COVID-19 in the school, we recommend that your child takes a Lateral Flow Device (LFD) test.

These can be collected from your local pharmacy, COVID-19 test centres or by ordering online at: <a href="http://www.gov.scot/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-getting-tested/pages/no-covid-symptoms">www.gov.scot/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-getting-tested/pages/no-covid-symptoms</a>. Please record your LFD results, whether negative or positive on the online portal at: <a href="http://www.covidtest.scot">www.covidtest.scot</a> OR by phoning 119.

## Please do not use LFD tests if your child is feeling unwell or showing symptoms of COVID-19.

If the LFD is positive, please self-isolate and book a PCR test for your child.

Note - If your child has tested positive for COVID-19 in the last 90 days, we do not recommend they take a LFD test.

### What if my child develops symptoms of COVID-19?



If your child develops a fever, cough or loss of taste or smell, or are showing milder symptoms such as a sore throat, headache, upset stomach or cold like symptoms, they should stay off school and book a PCR test.

To book a PCR test visit <u>www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test</u> or <u>https://www.nhsinform.scot/test-and-protect</u> or by calling 0800 028 2816.

# If your child is symptomatic or their LFD test is positive, other household members should also self-isolate until your child receives their PCR test results.

### What if cases continue to rise in the school?

If there are further cases of COVID-19 in the school, Test and Protect and NHS Ayrshire & Arran's Health Protection team will work together with the school and Local Authority to manage the situation. We will make sure we keep all staff, parents and carers informed of any changes.

Yours sincerely

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