



Larkin Community College
Coláiste Pobail Lorcáin

16th April 2021

Dear Parent/Guardian

COVID-19 Close Contact

A case of COVID-19 has been identified in Larkin Community College. Public Health, working in conjunction with the school, has identified your child as a close contact.

Your child should stay at home and restrict their movements from today.

The HSE will text you appointments for two COVID-19 tests. The first test will be performed as soon as possible and the second test will be performed on/shortly after **23/04/2021**.

If the second test is negative your child may stop restricted movements and you should contact the school about a return date.

If your child does not attend their second test (their day 10 test) they **will need to restrict their movements up until and including the 27/04/2021.**

Further information on COVID-19 is available at: www.hse.ie

You will be contacted by HSE Contact Tracers.

Restricted movements means:

- not attending school,
- not going on public transport,
- not having visitors to the house or visiting other people's houses.
- However, provided the child/staff is asymptomatic they can go outside for walks/exercise, but only with members of their own household.
- There are no requirements for household members of your child to restrict their movements. **However should your child develop symptoms such as cough, sore throat, shortness of breath/ breathlessness, fever or loss or change in sense of taste or smell, then all members of the household should self-isolate and they should contact their GP.**
- Children will be referred for testing which is a routine part of contact tracing. Appointments will be sent to the parents/guardians by text message. Should your child develop symptoms before or after this testing session, they should contact their GP to arrange another test.

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A suite of translated resources are available on the hse.ie website [COVID-19 translated resources - HSE.ie](https://www.hse.ie/eng/health/COVID-19/COVID-19_translated_resources_-_HSE.ie)

Yours sincerely,

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Principal