

Wednesday 30th September 2020

Dear Parents & Carers

This morning we received confirmation of a positive case of Corona Virus in our school community to which I wanted to alert you. The person concerned is a member of our Year 11 student body; this person has not been in school for over 3 weeks, since Tuesday 8th September.

There is no risk to anyone's health as a result of this communication.

I have chosen to communicate this information with you because as with any information affecting our school could be misinterpreted. I am keen for our community to be well-informed at all times. Because of the limited nature and timing of contact, on the advice of the Public Health Protection Team there is not a need to close any part of our school or to isolate any bubbles of students. Healthy students should attend the Academy as usual.

What to do if your child develops symptoms of COVID 19

If your child develops symptoms of COVID-19, **you should inform the school and organise for your child to be tested** via the [NHS online portal](#) or by calling 119. Your household should isolate until you receive the test results giving the all clear.

The main symptoms of coronavirus are (NHS website):

- a high temperature – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- a new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal
- Most people with coronavirus have at least 1 of these symptoms.

For most people, coronavirus (COVID-19) will be a mild illness.

How to stop COVID-19 spreading

There are things you can do to help reduce the risk of you and anyone you live with getting ill with COVID-19. Do:

- wash your hands with soap and water often – do this for at least 20 seconds
- use hand sanitiser gel if soap and water are not available
- wash your hands as soon as you get home
- cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your sleeve (not your hands) when you cough or sneeze
- put used tissues in the bin immediately and wash your hands afterwards

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Flu vaccination

We would like to take this opportunity to remind you and your family to have the flu vaccination if you are eligible for this, especially if you are in a risk group. You can find out about risk groups and whether you are eligible for a flu vaccine at the [NHS Flu vaccine overview](https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/).

Further Information

Further information is available at <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>

I understand that this can be an anxious time for many and I appreciate your ongoing support. Whilst I am keen to share information with you about the virus in the interests of transparency, there is no action for you to take at this time and we look forward to seeing all students who are in good health in the Academy as usual.

Best wishes



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