

Wednesday 23rd December 2020

Dear Parents and Carers of Year 11 Students

We have been informed that one of our Year 11 students has tested positive for Covid 19. The student was last in school on Thursday 17th December.

This morning we have identified which students may have been in close contact with the student who tested positive.

We have identified that your child may have been contact with the affected student in school. **Therefore, your child needs to self-isolate** and stay at home and not come into contact with anyone outside of your household, until the end of the day on Sunday 27th December (10 days from the date of potential contact).

I understand this may be upsetting especially over the Christmas holiday, but we are following the national guidance and the advice from our local Health Protection Team.

There is no need for other family members to isolate unless someone in your household develop symptoms. *You do not need to get your child tested for Covid-19 unless they, or anyone in your household, develops symptoms.*

The main symptoms of coronavirus, given on the NHS website <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/symptoms/> are shown below and most people with coronavirus have at least 1 of these symptoms:

- *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*

I understand that this can be an anxious time for many and I appreciate your ongoing support.

Best wishes



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