

14 January 2022

Dear parents and carers

Re: Confirmed case of COVID-19 in your child's year group

I am writing to inform you that the academy has COVID-19 cases in your child's year group.

This letter is to inform you of the current situation and to provide advice on how to support your child during these circumstances. Please be reassured that for most children, coronavirus (COVID-19) will be a mild illness.

As our setting remains open and your child continues to attend as normal if they remain well, all students and staff, regardless of year group, should remain vigilant. Please see guidance on page 2.

Our pupils and staff continue to follow the steps to help prevent the transmission of the virus with frequent hand washing, ventilated classrooms, regular staff testing and wearing of face masks in all communal settings.

In addition, our academy has an enhanced cleaning schedule in place and we hope these measures reassure you we are doing everything we can to help curb the spread of the virus as much as possible.

Should anyone have any concerns or wishes to discuss this further, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs C Welch
Principal

GOVERNMENT GUIDELINES AND ADVICE

MAIN SYMPTOMS OF COVID-19



CONTINUOUS COUGH



LOSS OR CHANGE TO SENSE OF SMELL / TASTE



HIGH TEMPERATURE



IS YOUR CHILD SHOWING SYMPTOMS AND HAS A POSITIVE LFT RESULT?

- 1 You must stay home.
- 2 You no longer need to take a follow-up PCR test.



IS YOUR CHILD SHOWING SYMPTOMS AND HAS A NEGATIVE LFT RESULT?

- 1 Book a PCR test.
- 2 You must stay at home until you are provided with a result.



IS YOUR CHILD NOT SHOWING SYMPTOMS BUT HAS A POSITIVE LFT RESULT?

- 1 You no longer need to book a PCR test.
- 2 You must self-isolate from the date of the positive test.
- 3 If your child starts to show symptoms, the isolation period will start again from the day they became symptomatic.



WHAT ARE THE CURRENT RULES AROUND ISOLATION?

If you do not have symptoms of COVID-19 and live in the same household as someone who has tested positive, you are legally required to self-isolate unless you meet any of the following conditions below. It is advised that you take daily LFT's whilst the member in your household remains in self-isolation. If you develop symptoms, please book a PCR test.

- Anyone who tests positive will be able to leave self-isolation 5 days after the date of their initial positive test if they receive 2 negative LFT results, 24 hours apart, on days 5 and 6.
- If your child still has a high temperature after 10 days or is still unwell, stay at home and seek medical advice.



DO YOU LIVE IN THE SAME HOUSEHOLD AS SOMEONE WHO TESTS POSITIVE?

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It is advised that you take daily LFT's whilst the member in your household remains in self isolation. If you develop symptoms, please book a PCR test.

- FULLY VACCINATED
- UNDER 18
- MEDICALLY EXEMPT
- PART OF AN APPROVED COVID 19 TRIAL