



Tuesday 20th October 2020

THIS LETTER IS FOR INFORMATION ONLY

Dear Parent/Carer,

As you will be aware, some students have been sent home today to self-isolate. Students who have been asked to self-isolate have been called and sent a letter giving them the self-isolation end date.

If you have not been called and had no letter, then this letter is for information only and your child has **not** been identified as a close contact. They do not need to make any change to their usual routine, including school attendance.

Please note, there are some reminders we would like to share again with parents:

1. If someone in your household has symptoms or is awaiting a test result, **please do not send your child into school** until it is absolutely safe to do so.
2. If your child is showing symptoms, **please do not send your child into school** until it is absolutely safe to do so.
3. Some students are still not coming to school with a face mask. As per government guidelines, all students and staff **must** wear a face mask in corridor and communal areas.
4. If in any doubt, do not send your child to school until you have been given appropriate advice.

The most common symptoms of COVID-19 are recent onset of a new continuous cough and/or a high temperature and/or a loss of, or change in, normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia). If your child, or anyone in your household, develops these symptoms, your whole household must remain at home and not go to work, school or public areas. You should arrange testing for the person who has developed symptoms. When the result is known further advice will be available.

Testing can be arranged by calling 119 or via the NHS website: www.nhs.uk/coronavirus

How to stop COVID-19 spreading

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

- 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

Further information

Further information is available at www.nhs.uk/coronavirus

Yours sincerely and thank you for your continued support,

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