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8<sup>th</sup> December 2020

Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s)

**Re. Confirmed case of COVID-19 (8<sup>th</sup> December 2020)**

We have been informed of a confirmed case of COVID-19 within the school.

Those children and staff members who have been in direct prolonged contact with the confirmed cases (Year 8 pupil) will have received an individual letter advising them to self-isolate in line with the national guidance.

**If you have not received a letter identifying your child as a close contact your child is not advised to self-isolate on account of the cases in the school. This letter is for your information only.**

We have seen a rise in the number of cases over the last week and currently have 5 students - 0.4% of the student population - (one in Year 7, two in Year 8, one in Year 9 and one in Year 10) and 3 members of staff who have tested positive.

As a result of these positive cases, 113 students – 8.5% of the student population - and 3 members of staff have been asked to self-isolate because of potential close contact with the positive cases.

While it is very difficult to accurately identify the source of infection, we are aware that a number of these current cases have been in contact with other positive cases in their own household or wider community - numbers in the Broxbourne area remain high.

School staff are working exceptionally hard to identify close contacts so that we can avoid having to send whole year groups home and minimise the disruption to our students' education.

We continue to work very closely with the public health authorities to manage each case and to monitor any trends and are doing everything we can to maintain schooling for as many young people as possible in the last two weeks of term.

Thank you for your continued support.

Best wishes

Mr Jeremy Scott  
**Headteacher**