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Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s)

Re. Confirmed cases of COVID-19 (14th December 2020)

We have been informed of three confirmed cases of COVID-19 within the school.

Those children and staff members who have been in direct prolonged contact with the confirmed cases (Year 11, and two Year 13 pupils) 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.

Cases across the Broxbourne borough remain exceptionally high.

What to do if your child develops symptoms of COVID 19

If your child develops symptoms of COVID-19 they should remain at home. Arrange for a COVID test via <https://www.nhs.uk/ask-for-a-coronavirus-test>.

If their test is negative they can return to school when they are well.

If their test is positive they will need to self-isolate for 10 days from the date when your symptoms start. All your household members must self-isolate for 10 days.

The date of symptom onset is day zero.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection>

Symptoms

The symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are:

- recent onset of new continuous cough or
- high temperature or
- a loss of, or change in, normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia).

For most people, coronavirus (COVID-19) will be a mild illness. If you are concerned about your health or the health of anyone else in your house please seek advice from your GP or NHS 111 by phoning 111.

There are things you can do to reduce the risk of getting 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 <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>

Thank you for your continued support.

Best wishes



Mr Jeremy Scott

Headteacher