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Dear Parent / Carer

We have been advised that there have been two confirmed case(s) of COVID-19 amongst our staff at the school. This, combined with existing staff self-isolating, has meant we have had to make the difficult decision to limit the number of students learning in school over the final week of term. If you are a key worker and unable to provide childcare please contact the school.

Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> Dec	<b>Year 7</b> Will be in school as usual <b>Year 8</b> Will be at home completing work set on Teams. Students are expected to join form time in the morning at 08:45 and complete a task and quiz in Science, Music and History.
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec	<b>Year 7</b> Will be in school as usual <b>Year 8</b> Will be at home completing work set on Teams. Students are expected to join form time in the morning at 08:45 and complete a task and quiz in English, Drama and Geography.
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> Dec	<b>Year 7</b> Will be at home completing work set on Teams. Students are expected to join form time in the morning at 08:45 and complete a task and quiz in Science, French, English and EBC. <b>Year 8</b> Will be in school following the usual timings of the day- please note that Thursday is not a half day and will finish at the usual time
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec	<b>Year 7</b> Will be at home completing work set on Teams. Students are expected to join form time in the morning at 08:45 and complete a task and quiz in Maths, PE and DT. <b>Year 8</b> Will be in school following the usual timings of the day- please note that Thursday is not a half day and will finish at the usual time
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> Dec	School closed to all students unless vulnerable

Unless your child becomes ill they should continue to attend School. Your child does not need to isolate unless specifically directed to. We are continuing to monitor the situation and are following government guidance.

## **What to do if your child develops symptoms of COVID 19:**

If your child develops symptoms of COVID-19, they should remain at home for at least 10 days from the date when their symptoms appeared.

All other household members who remain well must stay at home and not leave the house for 14 days.

The 14-day period starts from the day when the first person in the house became ill.

Household members should not go to work, school or public areas and exercise should be taken within the home.

Household members staying at home for 14 days will greatly reduce the overall amount of infection the household could pass on to others in the community.

If you are able, move any vulnerable individuals (such as the elderly and those with underlying health conditions) out of your home, to stay with friends or family for the duration of the home isolation period.

## **Symptoms**

The most common symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are recent onset of:

- new continuous cough and/or
- high temperature
- 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 your child or anyone in the household does develop symptoms, you can seek advice from NHS 111 at:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/symptoms/> or by phoning 111.

## **How to stop COVID-19 spreading**

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

### **Hands**

- Wash your hands regularly and for at least 20 seconds.

### **Face**

- Cover your face in enclosed spaces, especially where social distancing may be difficult and where you will come into contact with people you do not normally meet.

- It is now compulsory to wear cloth face coverings on public transport, shops and several other indoor settings.

### **Space**

- Stay 2 metres apart where possible, or 1 metre with extra precautions in place.
- Keep your distance from people who are outside your household or support bubble.
- Limit social gatherings (including abiding by the 'rule of 6') and avoid crowded places.

### **Further Information**

Further information is available at: <https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus/education-and-childcare>

Yours sincerely,

Headteacher