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YEAR 12 to Return to College – Wednesday 7th October 2020

Dear Student,

I hope you are well, and that you have been joining in with your live lessons on Microsoft Teams. Following on from my letter on Sunday, I have consulted the Local Authority's COVID Response Team, and they have agreed with the actions we have taken. After having undertaken a full risk-assessment of the situation, though, we now believe that there is minimal risk of any Year 12 student having come into close contact with the Year 13 student who has tested positive. 'Close' contact is defined as:

- being coughed on
- having a face-to-face conversation within 1 metre,
- any contact within 1 metre for 1 minute or longer, without face-to-face contact
- extended close contact (between 1 and 2 metres for more than 15 minutes)

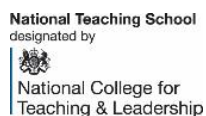
I am pleased, therefore, to inform you that **Year 12 students** should return to College from tomorrow, **Wednesday 7th October**.

Whilst we cannot share the name of the Year 13 student in this letter, she has given us permission to share this information with any students who contact us, concerned that they may have been in close contact with her. If you are concerned, and would like to discuss this with us, please contact either Mr Howells, Mrs Garvey or myself, **before you return to College**.

What to do if you develop symptoms of COVID 19

If you develop symptoms of COVID-19, you should remain at home for at least 10 days from the date when your symptoms appeared, as advised in <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance>.

You can arrange for testing for via <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-getting-tested>. 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



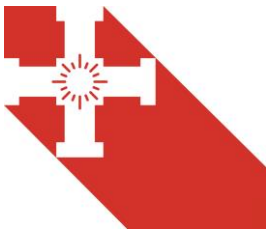
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If you are able, move any vulnerable individuals (such as the elderly and those with underlying health conditions) out of your home, to stay with friends or family for the duration of the home isolation period.

Symptoms of COVID 19

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

- new continuous cough and/or
- high temperature and/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 do develop symptoms, you can seek advice from NHS 111 at <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/check-if-you-have-coronavirus-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

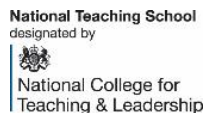
- wash your hands with soap and water often – do this for at least 20 seconds
- use hand sanitiser gel if soap and water are not available
- wash your hands as soon as you get home
- cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your sleeve (not your hands) when you cough or sneeze
- put used tissues in the bin immediately and wash your hands afterwards

Further Information

Further information is available at <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>

God Bless

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