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## TO ALL PARENTS & CARERS (Except Year 11) – Update on Confirmed Positive Cases in Year 11

Dear Parent or Carer,

This morning we were informed of a second positive case in Year 11. Having liaised with the Local Authority's Covid Response and Health Teams, we identified those students who we believe have potentially been in close contact with the affected student, and they began their self-isolation earlier this afternoon. Once again, I would like to thank all those parents and carers who came to pick up their child at such short notice. Their support and understanding are very much appreciated.

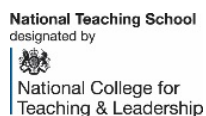
We have since been informed of a third positive case in Year 11. Whilst we await further advice from the Local Authority, and to give us time to undertake another contact-trace investigation, we have advised all Year 11 students to isolate at home with immediate effect. In the days ahead, we may be able to ask a smaller group of students to isolate and to bring others back to College.

**This letter is for information only, and unless your child is in Year 11, or you have been contacted separately by College, your child should continue to attend College as normal.** Whilst we cannot share the name of the Year 11 students in this letter, we do have permission to share this information with any parent or carer who contacts us, concerned that their child may have been in close contact with them. If you are concerned, and would like to discuss this with us, please contact either Mr Mercer, Mrs Garvey or myself, before they 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.



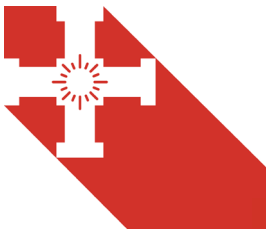
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If you are able, move any vulnerable individuals (such as the elderly and those with underlying health conditions) out of your home, to stay with friends or family for the duration of the home isolation period.

## 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

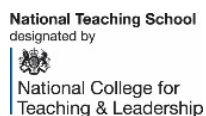
- wash your hands with soap and water often – do this for at least 20 seconds
- use hand sanitiser gel if soap and water are not available
- wash your hands as soon as you get home
- cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your sleeve (not your hands) when you cough or sneeze
- put used tissues in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