



10th December 2020

Dear Parent or Carer,

We have been advised by Office for National Statistics that there is a confirmed case of COVID-19 within our College community.

A Year 9 Student has tested positive during the ONS survey. She was last in College on Thursday 10th December. A number of year 9 students (88) must now self-isolate until Wednesday 23rd December inclusive (14 days after contact) and will return to College after the Christmas break on 4th January.

I would like to take time to reassure you that we have taken all necessary actions since hearing this information to keep all children at our school as safe as possible.

In light of the reduction of cases locally we have liaised with the local authority to reduce the size of the College bubbles.

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/>

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 your child does 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 119.

Yours sincerely,

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