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FOR CONTACTS/ PARENTS OF CLOSE CONTACTS OF COVID 19 AT ST. PETER'S CHURCH OF ENGLAND VA SCHOOL

Advice for child to self-isolate

Dear Students, Parents and Carers,

We have been advised by Public Health England that there has been a confirmed case of COVID-19 within the school. The following actions have been confirmed with the Department for Education and Public Health England after school today.

Isolation advice

We have followed the national guidance and have identified that the majority of students in the Year 11 Bubble have been in close contact with the affected person if they have been in school on Monday 12th October and/or Tuesday 13th October. In line with the national guidance, we recommend that your child now stays at home and self-isolates returning to school week beginning 4th November (due to half-term). Their period of self-isolation ends on the 27th October enabling them to be in public from the 28th October.

Students who are currently self-isolating after previously using the 976 bus service will be able to return to school on the 19th October.

We are asking you to do this to reduce the further spread of COVID 19 to others in the community.

If your child is well at the end of the period of self-isolation which ends on the 27th October, then they can return to usual activities on the 28th October.

Other members of your household can continue normal activities provided your child does not develop symptoms within the self-isolation period.

Please see the link to the PHE Staying at Home Guidance

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

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What to do if your child develops symptoms of COVID 19

If your child develops symptoms of COVID-19, **you should organise for your child to be tested** via the [NHS online portal](#) or by calling 119. Your household should isolate until you receive the test results giving the all clear.

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.

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

Do:

- 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

Flu vaccination

We would like to take this opportunity to remind you and your family to have the flu vaccination if you are eligible for this, especially if you are in a risk group. You can find out about risk groups and whether you are eligible for a flu vaccine at the [NHS Flu vaccine overview](#).

Further information

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

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Phil Randall".

Phil Randall
Headteacher