

Principal: Mr Paul Willerton

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Dear Parents/Carers

As discussed in previous correspondence, I am keen to keep all parents and carers fully informed on the ever-changing Covid-19 picture.

We have received information that a student in Year 12 has received a positive PCR result for Covid-19. The student has not been on site since Friday 18 June due to being in close contact and being asked to self-isolate.

This is the third positive case that has been reported to the academy for Year 12 in the last week. For two of the cases, we are waiting for the result of a PCR test, there are connections between the cases.

To ensure that we keep all at the academy safe, we are taking the decision to ask all Year 12 to selfisolate and access their learning at home. The 10 days will start from the last day a positive case student attended the academy. This means the 10 day self-isolation will end on Monday 28 June, with students returning on Tuesday 29 June. This also means students cannot attend work outside the academy, they <u>must</u> self-isolate.

Test and Trace have asked for all Year 12 students to book a PCR test and inform us of the results. A lateral flow test (LFT) is not sufficient, it must be a PCR test.

There is no need for any siblings or other people living in the same household to self-isolate. This would change if your child develops symptoms. For further guidance, please follow the guidance previously shared by the academy

Can I once again remind parents and carers, please **do not send your child into the academy when you are awaiting the result of a test** <u>or</u> **if they have symptoms**. This way we can ensure that if there is a positive case, the least possible number of students are impacted. If anyone in your household has symptoms, everyone within that household must self-isolate for 10 days or until a negative test result.

As detailed in our Risk Assessment, for those students who now need to self isolate we will continue with the Covid Contingency Plan. **All work for their lessons will be set on the 'Satchel One' app/system.** Further information on the Year 12 assessment week will follow later this week.

Please do not hesitate to get in touch with any concerns or queries. Thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully

Mr P Willerton Principal



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