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Year 5 Pandas

Dear parent or carer,

I hope my message finds you safe and well.

I am writing to you as there has unfortunately been a confirmed case of COVID-19 within our academy community. The affected member of pupil is now self-isolating for a period of 10 days, and I am sure you will join me in wishing them a swift recovery.

In following the national guidance, we have identified that your child has been in close contact with the affected pupil. In line with the guidance, we ask that your child now stay at home and self-isolate until Monday 7th December 2020. Children will return to the academy on **Tuesday 8th December 2020**.

Why is my child being asked to self-isolate?

Public Health England has advised that your child self-isolates as a precaution. It is, however, incredibly important that your child remains at home during their period of self-isolation in order to reduce the chances of COVID-19 further spreading within our community.

If your child is well at the end of the 14-day period, they can return to their usual activities. Other members of your household can continue with their normal activities provided your child does not develop symptoms within the 14-day self-isolation period.

Please click [here](#) for the government's guidance.

What to do if your child develops symptoms of COVID-19

If your child develops symptoms of COVID-19, they should remain at home for at least 10 days from the date when their symptoms first appeared.

All other household members, even if they are 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. Please note that this advice applies to anyone in your 'support bubble'.

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.

Please note that our pupils and members of their households have access to testing if they display symptoms of COVID-19. To access testing, you can use the online booking service at www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test or call 119.

Please click [here](#) for Public Health England's 'stay at home' guidance.





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Symptoms of COVID-19

For most people, COVID-19 will be a mild illness.

The most common symptoms are the recent onset of:

- A new continuous cough and/or
- High temperature and/or
- A loss of, or change in, normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

If your child does develop symptoms, you can seek advice from the NHS by clicking [here](#) or by calling 119.

How to stop COVID-19 spreading

Public Health England recommend the following to us all in order to reduce the risk of the virus spreading:

- If someone in your household has symptoms, they should remain at home and seek testing
- Wash your hands with soap and water often 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 when you cough or sneeze
- Put used tissues in the bin immediately and wash your hands afterwards

Keep in touch with us

I will be sure to keep in close contact with you as will your child's teacher who will be in touch to discuss your child's remote learning while they are away from academy.

In the meantime, I take this opportunity to thank you for your understanding during this challenging time, and ask that you please get in touch with any questions or concerns.

Yours sincerely,

Miss S Johnson

Head teacher

