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Dear Parents/Carers,

## Covid-19 Update

We are writing to make you aware that we have a number of students who have tested positive for coronavirus (Covid-19) over the weekend. These students are in Years 7 to 10 and some of them use the school bus services, with the exception of the 603.

This letter is to inform you of the current situation and provide advice on how to support your child.

In line with recent changes to the guidance for schools, NHS Test & Trace are now responsible for identifying and contacting anyone who may have been in close contact with the students who have tested positive for coronavirus (COVID-19).

In addition to the measures outlined in our letter of 15<sup>th</sup> September, we welcome your support in encouraging your child to

- wash or sanitise their hands frequently during the day,
- wear a face covering in the school corridors and communal areas, unless exempt,
- wear a face covering on school transport, unless exempt,
- sit in year groups on school transport.

It is really important that students are encouraged to complete a lateral flow test at home twice a week and upload the results. However, lateral flow tests should only be used by people who do not have any symptoms.

**If your child has any symptoms, however mild, then you should arrange for a PCR test - <https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test>**

Full details of the current national guidance on symptoms, testing, vaccination and self-isolating can be found here <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>

Thank you for your continuing support in keeping our school community safe.

Yours sincerely,



Tom Maltby