



GUISELEY SCHOOL

23 September 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

I am writing to advise you that one of our students has tested positive for COVID-19.

We have sought Public Health advice and have been advised that as the person had not been in school for over 48 hours prior to developing symptoms there is no need for your child or other members of your household to self-isolate. We are grateful to the family of the student involved for their vigilance and ensuring that a student did not attend school with symptoms. By complying with regulations, we ensure students are able to stay in school.

As a reminder the symptoms of COVID-19 are:

- a high temperature – this means they feel hot to touch on their chest or back;
- a new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or three or more coughing episodes in 24 hours; and/or
- a loss of, or change in, your child's normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia).

Please be vigilant for these symptoms and if you or your child starts to display any of them, it would then be necessary for all other members of your household to self-isolate for 14 days. Anyone with symptoms can now request a test for COVID-19, and this should ideally happen within the first five days from the onset of symptoms. Please see the NHS.UK website for more information: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing-for-coronavirus/ask-for-a-test-to-check-if-you-have-coronavirus/>

If you are concerned about your child's health, please refer to the NHS 111 website or telephone NHS 111 or your GP. <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/check-if-you-have-coronavirus-symptoms/>

Please see the link to the PHE 'Stay 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>

We wish any student currently at home a speedy recovery whatever their symptoms or illness. The safety and welfare of all our staff and children remains our top priority. We continue to undertake thorough cleaning of the whole school and a deep clean will be carried out in the appropriate areas of school following this positive case.

If you would like to speak to someone, or if you have any further questions, please get in touch via info@guiseleyschool.org.uk

Yours sincerely,

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