

# Notification



OAKFIELD ACADEMY  
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Monday 22nd March 2021

Dear Parents,

I'm sorry to have to notify you that a pupil in Year 8 was tested as part of a PCR asymptomatic sample on Friday (not the home testing devices). We have been notified of this result this evening and so are acting as swiftly as possible. We have followed the national guidance and thoroughly risk assessed with Public Health. I can only apologise that we have not been able to give you more notice of the following:

**Year 5:** ALL Year 5 pupils are able to continue attending school. Providing your child is well and does not develop the symptoms of COVID-19, they can attend the academy from tomorrow as normal. (8.25am via the red gate)

**Year 6:** ALL Year 6 pupils are able to continue attending school. Providing your child is well and does not develop the symptoms of COVID-19, they can attend the academy from tomorrow as normal. (8.25am via the silver gate)

**FLG:** ALL FLG pupils are able to continue attending school. Providing your child is well and does not develop the symptoms of COVID-19, they can attend the academy from tomorrow as normal.

**Year 7:** ALL Year 7 pupils will need to learn from home from tomorrow, Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> March. They are NOT required to isolate and we will be working on a plan to have as many Year 7s back in school as soon as possible. Please log on to Google Classroom in the morning. We will be in touch tomorrow with any updates to plans for Year 7.

**Year 8 ACO:** ALL pupils will need to learn from home from tomorrow, Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> March. They are NOT required to isolate and we will be working on a plan to have as many pupils from 8ACO, back in school as soon as possible. Please log on to Google Classroom in the morning. We will be in touch tomorrow with any updates to plans for 8ACO.

**Year 8 RNS:** ALL pupils will need to isolate and learn from home, returning to school on **Tuesday 30th March**. Only the pupil is required to isolate, other household members may continue as normal unless they become symptomatic. Please log on to Google Classroom in the morning.

If your child is now required to isolate or learn from home and you require support for them to access IT, please contact reception or the academy email.

Whilst I fully understand this may cause anxiety amongst the academy community, I can assure you all necessary steps are being taken to minimise risk to others. The academy will again be deep cleaned and we will continue to follow our procedures to minimise contacts between different year groups. Our procedures have been shared with Public Health Somerset as part of the rapid risk assessment that schools must undertake.

Thank you for all your support and cooperation at this time.

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## **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 appeared. Anyone with symptoms will be eligible for testing and this can be arranged via <https://www.nhs.uk/ask-for-a-coronavirus-test> or by calling 119 .

All other household members who remain well must stay at home and not leave the house for 10 days. This includes anyone in your 'Support Bubble'.

The 10-day period starts from the day when the first person in the house became ill (day zero).

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>

## **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)

Recent cases in children have started with feeling nauseous or having headaches with other symptoms developing later.

## **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