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Dear Parent,

We have been advised that a member of staff within the academy has tested positive for COVID-19.

We have carried out a full risk assessment and identified all those who have been in close contact with the affected case and have recommended that they stay at home and self-isolate until 14 days after their last contact.

No children have been identified as a close contact and therefore the academy remains open to all children as usual. Unfortunately it does mean that we have had to close our school kitchen. I apologise for the inconvenience that this may cause. We are working with Mellors, our catering provider, to ensure that we can provide a cold lunch option whilst the kitchen remains closed.

The most common symptoms of COVID-19 are recent onset of a new continuous cough and/or a high temperature and/or a loss of, or change in, normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia). If your child, or anyone in your household, develops these symptoms, you whole household must remain at home and not go to work, school or public areas. You should arrange testing for the person who has developed symptoms. When the result is known further advice will be available.

Testing can be arranged by calling 119 or via the NHS website: www.nhs.uk/coronavirus

There are things we can all do to help reduce the risk of you and anyone you live with getting ill with COVID-19:

- 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
- maintain an appropriate social distance with non-household members of over 2 metres

Further information is available at www.nhs.uk/coronavirus

Yours sincerely

A. Willett