

Care, Collaboration, Challenge

Monday 2nd November 2020

Dear Parent,

We have been advised that there have been two confirmed cases of COVID-19 within the academy staff. As symptoms began during half term for both isolated cases, no one from the academy has been identified as a close contact and therefore the academy remains open to all pupils and staff.

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 of over 2 metres, with non-household members

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

Yours sincerely

Andy Willett Principal