



**St. Cuthbert's**

Roman Catholic High School

8<sup>th</sup> October 2020

Dear Parents and Carers

I write to you all today to advise that there have been confirmed cases of COVID-19 within the school community.

We have carried out a full risk assessment and sent home some year 8 and 11 students as a precaution. We will be receiving advice from Public Health England and this will determine which students can come back and when it is safe for them to do so.

**Unless you have otherwise been informed, your child has not been identified as a close contact and therefore does not need to make any change to their usual routine, including school attendance.**

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, your 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: [nhs.uk/coronavirus](https://www.nhs.uk/coronavirus).

Please rest assured that our in school protocols were able to quickly identify students who were affected. We will of course continue to be vigilant, and continue to update you regularly.

Thank you for your ongoing support and patience.

If you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to contact school.

Yours sincerely,

Mr David Shields

Headteacher