



St. Cuthbert's
Roman Catholic High School

21st October 2020

Dear Parents and Carers

I write to you all today to advise that there has been a confirmed case of COVID-19 within the school community in Year 11. We were notified of this late this afternoon.

We have carried out a full risk assessment and identified all those who have been in close contact with the affected case and recommended that they stay at home and self-isolate. The parents of the Year 11 affected have been contacted.

Unless you have otherwise been contacted, 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.

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

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully,

Mr David Shields

Headteacher