



Woodside High School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We have been advised by Public Health England that there have been 2 confirmed cases of COVID-19 within the school. Contract tracing has been completed and anyone affected has been contacted directly and advised to self isolate. Apologies for this coming to you so late in the day.

We are continuing to monitor the situation and are working closely with Public Health England. This letter is to inform you of the current situation and provide advice on how to support your child. Please be reassured that for most people, coronavirus (COVID-19) will be a mild illness.

The school will remain closed to all students on Friday 9th October and Monday 12th October. The school will be deep cleaned and fumigated.

We are currently making plans to reopen the school safely on **Tuesday 13th October** and will contact you by the end of tomorrow to confirm the impact this will have on your child's attendance to school. It is likely that students will attend on a part time basis until **Tuesday 20th October**.

Home learning

During the school closure, it is important that students continue with their learning by completing their homework and revision tasks that have been set by their subject teachers.

Students can also access further work set by their teachers on the Woodside High School Home Learning Task Grid which can be found on the school website using the following link:

<https://www.woodsidehighschool.co.uk/Learning/Online-learning-resources/>

Students should also use BBC Bitesize, Sam Learning and GCSE pod (Key stage 4 only) to consolidate their learning.

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.

All other household members who remain well must stay at home and not leave the house for 14 days.

The 14-day period starts from the day when the first person in the house became ill.

Household members should not go to work, school or public areas and exercise should be taken within the home.

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Household members staying at home for 14 days will greatly reduce the overall amount of infection the household could pass on to others in the community.

If you are able, move any vulnerable individuals (such as the elderly and those with underlying health conditions) out of your home, to stay with friends or family for the duration of the home isolation period.

Symptoms

The most common symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are recent onset of:

- new continuous cough and/or
- high temperature
- a loss of, or change in, normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

For most people, coronavirus (COVID-19) will be a mild illness.

If your child or anyone in the household does develop symptoms, you can seek advice from NHS 111 at:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/symptoms/> or by phoning 111.

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

Further Information

Further Information Further information is available at:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19>

Yours sincerely

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