

CITY OF DERBY ACADEMY

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Dear Parent/Carer

Self-Isolation due to potential close contact with a positive Covid-19 case

I would like to start off by thanking you for your support with regards to your child self-isolating. I have spoken at length to the Department for Education and Public Health England and they believe the measures we have in place, and the measures we have taken since we were alerted to a positive case of Covid-19 are appropriate and uphold the safety of the whole community.

I am disappointed that your child will not be attending school, particularly as having all students back since the 7th September has been wonderful. I am keen to continue to support your child's learning whilst they self-isolate, so I would like to give you some more details about how your child can access remote learning (see remote learning section below).

Your child should return to the City of Derby Academy on Monday the 5th of October 2020, unless they are extending their self-isolation due to having a positive test or having symptoms of corona virus.

As a reminder the main symptoms of corona virus are: -

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

Remote learning

Where do I need to get my work from?

To access your remote learning you will need to login to Microsoft Teams. To access Teams you will need to go to <https://portal.office.com/> and login with your school details. There is a video guide on how to do use Teams on our website: <http://www.cityofderbyacademy.org/remote-learning/>

In the past we have set work on classcharts. Your teachers will continue to put work on classcharts. If you want to access additional online learning, or if you are an individual who is self-isolating, then you can log in to EdClass and select online lessons. There is a guide on how to do this on our website.

What work will you be set when school is closed for you?

When the school is closed to students, your teachers will be setting you enough work to complete in the lessons that you will miss. This will be in the form of presentations, worksheets, videos or online work. Your teachers will set this work on Microsoft Teams (classcharts for Year 7 students). You will be set work in a separate Team for each of your subjects. Your teachers may also provide live interactions for you. These may be meetings or live events. You will be invited to these on Microsoft Teams and can join them from the calendar.

What do we expect you to do?

Students are expected to access work and live interactions when they are not in school. Students are expected to behave according to our behaviour code in any live interactions.

Any students who do not access work may be asked to attend 'Getting ahead' sessions from 2.30 pm -3.00 pm when the school reopens.

Other support and any if you have any problems

Your form teachers will be calling you at home once per fortnight when the school is closed to you. This is to check that you are safe and to support you with any remote learning problems.

If you need any support logging on to our systems the first try our website: <http://www.cityofderbyacademy.org/remote-learning/> or you can email ICTsupport@citofderbyacademy.org

If you cannot remember your password or if you do not have access to a computer or internet data then please call the school on 01332 270450.

If you need extra work or support with tasks, then email your teacher directly.

Free School Meals

If your child receives Free School Meals, the year teams will be in touch to offer a food parcel for your child whilst they are at home self-isolating. This will be a weekly parcel and can be collected on Monday the 28th of September 2020 from the main reception. These parcels **must** be collected by a parent or guardian only.

The contents of the food parcel are:

- 1 loaf of bread
- 6 eggs
- 3 pots of fruit yoghurt
- 1 pack of cheese
- 2 tins of Baked Beans
- 2 tins of Tuna Chunks in Brine
- Selection of mixed salad items
- 2 baked potatoes
- 1 tin of Soup
- 5 pieces of fresh fruit

Self-Isolating reminder

In line with the national guidance we have recommended that your child stays at home and self-isolates. We have provided a link which explains self-isolating in more detail: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/self-isolation-and-treatment/when-to-self-isolate-and-what-to-do/>

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact either the main office, Year 10 team (Mr Day and Mrs Kamaran) or the Year 7 team (Mrs Bruce or Ms Rerrie).

Yours sincerely



Mr P Smith
Headteacher