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Dear Parents/carers

Confirmed Positive Covid-19 Result

I am writing to inform you that we have had confirmed positive cases of COVID-19 within school community at the City of Derby Academy.

Our immediate thoughts are with the students and their families and I am sure you will join me in passing on our best wishes.

We have worked closely with the Department for Education (DfE) and Public Health England (PHE) to agree on the following measures that have been put in place.

We have contacted the parents/carers of the students who have been in 'close contact' with the people who have received a positive test result. Those students will be self-isolating for 10 days after their last contact.

All of Year 10 will be learning remotely until the end of term.

The school will remain open for the rest of the staff and students.

Please be assured that all preventative measures have taken place and will continue. Any classroom or other space that has been accessed by the member of staff has already received an enhanced deep clean.

It is important that we continue to follow our control measures, to help stop the spread of the virus:

- Staff and students should wear face coverings whilst moving around the school.
- As a reminder, please sanitise your hands throughout the school day
- Staff and students should adhere to the hand, face and space advice from the Government, where appropriate
- Staff and students should support good respiratory hygiene - Catch it, Bin it, Kill it

What to do if you develop symptoms of COVID-19

If you develop symptoms of COVID-19, you must not come to school and should remain at home for at least **10 days** from the date when the symptoms appeared. Anyone with symptoms will be eligible for testing and this can be arranged via <https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test> or by calling 119.

All other household members who remain well, must stay at home and not leave the house for 14 days. This includes anyone in your 'Support Bubble'.

Further information is available at: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance>
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.

If you require help with buying groceries, other shopping or picking up medication, or walking a dog, you should ask friends or family. Alternatively, you can order your shopping online and medication by phone or online.

Symptoms

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

- A new continuous cough
- A high temperature
- A loss of, or changing in, your normal sense of taste and smell

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

If you or anyone in the household does develop symptoms, you can seek advice from NHS 111 at <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/check-if-you-have-coronavirus-symptoms/> or by phoning 111.

The safety of our school community is our upmost important and we will continue to do all that we can to keep everyone safe. If you have any further concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'P. Smith', written in a cursive style.

Mr P Smith
Headteacher