

15th July 2021

Dear Parents & Carers

Advice for child to self-isolate

We have been advised by Public Health England that there has been a confirmed case of COVID-19 within **our 6T bubble**. We are so upset that this has happened to a Year 6 class in their last week with us and, even worse on the day of their leavers' party, but we have to follow the government guidance and, as all Manchester schools have been advised, will be doing so until the end of term.

Isolation advice

We have followed the national guidance and have identified that as your child may have been in close contact with the affected person and in line with the national guidance, we recommend that your child now stay at home and self-isolate until **Friday 23rd July 2021**.

Further to my previous letter from Public Health England all pupils who are identified as a contact of a positive Covid-19 need to have a PCR test. It is very important for everyone who has been identified as a contact to take a PCR test and stop any onward spread. The PCR test should ideally be taken early in the 10-day isolation period. Even if your PCR test result is negative, you must continue to self-isolate for the full 10 days in line with government guidance. You can go online at www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test to book a free test by clicking the box that says your local council has asked you to do this - see attached step-by-step guide which guides you through the process. For those without internet access, you can also order or book a test over the phone by calling 119.

Please see below, the direct communication and advice from Public Health England

What to do if your child develops symptoms of COVID 19

If your child develops symptoms of COVID-19, you should organise for your child to be tested via the NHS online portal or by calling 119. Your household should isolate until you receive the test results giving the all clear.

Symptoms of COVID 19

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

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

Further information

Further information is available at

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>

The children will be learning from home until the end of term so must sign onto TEAMS once they are invited to their lessons from tomorrow.

If you have any questions or queries, please email or call the Academy.

Regards

Mrs Crew
Interim Principal