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Dear Parents and Carers

Pupils being sent home – our COVID 19 Response

I am writing to explain how the school will respond if there is a positive test for Covid 19 and we have to send pupils home. Please be reassured that we will take all necessary steps to keep our pupils and our staff safe, in line with the advice from Public Health England and the Covid Risk Assessment policy of Lancashire County Council.

- If a pupil or member of staff displays symptoms or has tested positive then we will send that year group home, along with any members of staff who were in close contact with that person. A text message will be sent home informing parents to collect pupils as a matter of urgency. Any pupils sent home should self-isolate for 14 days from the date they were last in contact with that person.
- If pupils are sent home from school then we will send them home with a letter confirming the date they will return to school and the arrangements we have made for their learning to continue through Microsoft Teams.
- Household members do not need to self-isolate unless your daughter, who is self-isolating, subsequently develops symptoms.

We recommend that you consult the government advice on the Direct.gov website: 'stay at home: guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus (Covid-19) infection'. <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection> To assist you we have also put this guidance on the school website and, should your daughter be sent home, we will email this guidance to you on that day.

- If your daughter develops COVID-19 symptoms please arrange to have her tested. Tests can be booked online through the online portal or ordered by telephone via NHS 119 for those without access to the internet. Do not go to a GP surgery, pharmacy or hospital. Please find guidance on testing <https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test>
- If your daughter tests positive for Covid 19 please inform the school immediately by phone
- If you are unclear of what to do regarding symptoms, call 111 or access the online 111 Coronavirus advice service.

Please be reassured that learning will continue for all pupils. Starting the day after pupils have been sent home, I expect all pupils to log on to Microsoft Teams and to access their lessons there. Teachers will deliver all Distance Learning lessons through Microsoft Teams, and will teach 6 lessons per day, in line with the teaching timetable that your daughter has been given. In addition I will make arrangements for pupils to stay in touch with their form tutors during the time they are away from school.



I appreciate that this is a difficult time for you all. We are committed to a continuity in learning so that pupils continue to make progress. Therefore, lessons will continue throughout the time that your daughter is at home.

Should you have any concerns about continuity of learning please contact the school and ask to speak to your daughter's Head of Year.

Thank you for your ongoing support at this difficult time.

Yours sincerely

Mufti Javid
Headteacher

