



30<sup>th</sup> November, 2020

Dear parents/carers,

We have been advised that in addition to the student in year 8, two further students in year 10 have tested positive for COVID-19 today having not been at school since **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November**. **Please note we will not be able to provide any further information about these students as it would not be considered to be appropriate.**

In this instance we have assessed the situation with Public Health England/the DFE this afternoon and have decided that due to the number of classes affected the **whole of year 10** will have to self-isolate. They will remain at home for 14 days from their last contact with these students which means that their period of isolation ends inclusive of **Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December** and they will return to the academy on **Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> December after the inset day**. **Unless you receive this first personalised letter, your child has been assessed as not having had close contact.**

The school remains open and your child should continue to attend if they remain well. **This includes siblings of any student who has been asked to isolate.** If your child develops symptoms of COVID-19, they must not come to school and should remain at home for at least 10 days from the date when their symptoms appeared.

Anyone with symptoms will be eligible for testing and this can be arranged via <https://www.nhs.uk/ask-for-a-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/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection>

### Symptoms

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

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

Please email [info@arkputneyacademy.org](mailto:info@arkputneyacademy.org) if you require any further information

Best wishes,

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