

Wednesday 16 June 2021

Dear Parents/Carers

Thank you for your patience. We recognise the current predicament is deeply frustrating as we continue to wait for the processing of recent tests which is beyond our control. Given the multiple cases and contact tracing required for each case, the periods of self isolation will be different, should the further test be confirmed positive.

Further to yesterday's letter regarding the recent positive LFD tests, we can now confirm the following:

Year 10 students and those students who travelled on the SK2 will remain Learning@Home for the remainder of this week.

- one of the confirmatory PCR tests has been returned as positive. All close contacts identified must continue to isolate. We are still awaiting the results of further PCR tests.
- Public Health England have specified that all close contacts of suspected cases will need to self-isolate pending PCR results.
- **All students who have been identified as close contacts must self-isolate until Saturday 19 June at the earliest. Students may be asked to self-isolate beyond that period depending on the result of the second PCR test and their last contact with the children who tested positive.**
- Year 10 mock examinations are postponed this week. We will confirm rescheduling plans this week.
- Year 12 mock examinations will continue with students completing their papers at home.
- Should your child require a Chromebook, please contact their Head of House.

Reminder - Action required

- **Year 10 students and those on the SK2 must take an LFD test and submit the result on Classcharts and track and trace.**

You will have seen that in some areas of the UK, rates of infection have escalated significantly over the last six weeks, with the Delta Variant driving this increase. In Bristol, we have also seen a greater number of COVID cases in schools, particularly in primary schools.



Please continue to be vigilant with identifying symptoms and continue to complete the twice weekly LFD tests as required.

We continue to work with Public Health England and thank you for your patience and continued support.

Kind regards

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