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**FOR PARENTS OF CLOSE CONTACTS OF COVID 19 at Oasis Academy MediaCityUK**

**Advice for Child to Self-Isolate for 14 Days**

Dear Parent,

We have been advised by Public Health England that there has been a confirmed case of COVID-19 within the school.

We have followed the national guidance and have identified that your child has been in close contact with the affected child. In line with the national guidance your child must stay at home and self-isolate until and including **Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2020**.

If your child is well at the end of the 14 days period of self-isolation, then they can return to usual activities and return to school on **Monday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2020**.

Other members of your household can continue normal activities provided your child does not develop symptoms within the 14 day self-isolation period.

Please see the link to: Guidance for contacts of people with confirmed coronavirus (COVID-19) infection who do not live with the person

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-for-contacts-of-people-with-possible-or-confirmed-coronavirus-covid-19-infection-who-do-not-live-with-the-person>

**What to do if your child develops symptoms of COVID 19**

If your child develops symptoms of COVID-19, they 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 .

People who do not have symptoms should not request a test unless this has been specifically requested by Public Health England or the local authority.

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'.



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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.

Household members staying at home for 14 days will greatly reduce the overall amount of infection the household could pass on to others in the community

If you are able can, move any vulnerable individuals (such as the elderly and those with underlying health conditions) out of your home, to stay with friends or family for the duration of the home isolation period

Please see the link to the PHE 'Stay at Home' Guidance:

<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 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)

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

If your child does develop symptoms, you can seek advice from the nhs.uk website at <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/check-if-you-have-coronavirus-symptoms/>. If you are concerned about your child's symptoms, or they are worsening you can seek advice from NHS 111 at <https://111.nhs.uk/> or by phoning 111.



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## How to stop COVID-19 spreading

There are things you can do to help reduce the risk of you and anyone you live with getting ill with COVID-19

### Do

- wash your hands with soap and water often – do this for at least 20 seconds
- use hand sanitiser gel if soap and water are not available
- wash your hands as soon as you get home
- cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your sleeve (not your hands) when you cough or sneeze
- put used tissues in the bin immediately and wash your hands afterwards

### Further Information

Further information is available at

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

On-line learning via Microsoft Teams will take place from Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> November. **School is closed on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2020 and Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> November due to staff inset days.** On-line lessons start again from 24<sup>th</sup> November – 27<sup>th</sup> November where they will follow their normal timetable. Details about this will be placed on the website from Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> November.

Please ensure your child logs on to their lessons as attendance online is recorded to ensure continuation of education

I know that this information is difficult to receive and it is with a heavy heart that I have to ask year 8 students to isolate once again. I can assure you that we have extensive health and safety measures in place to mitigate the risk of the virus but with community rates so high it serves as a reminder to us all to ensure we follow the government guidance. If you have any questions or queries please do not hesitate to contact us on 0161 8866500 or email [info@oasismediacityuk.org](mailto:info@oasismediacityuk.org).

Thank you as always for your continued support

Yours sincerely

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