



Monday, 28 June 2021

Dear Parents/Carers of all students at Princes Risborough School

We have been advised that there have been a few confirmed cases of COVID-19 within Year 7, 8 & 9.

In discussion with Thames Valley Public Health, we have identified the students who have been in close proximity to the affected students and written to their parents/carers separately about the self-isolation that their child must now do. In addition, the whole of Year 8 are currently not in school and working remotely.

For all other years, the school remains open with lessons continuing as normal. Please remember to continue to use the test kits provided by the school.

We know that you may find this confirmed case concerning but the measures that we have had in place since the beginning of term have significantly reduced the number of students having to self-isolate.

Please can we take this opportunity to remind parents/carers **not** to send their child to school if they are showing any of the COVID-19 symptoms. Anyone showing symptoms must self-isolate and request a test and not come back until either a negative test result has been received or it has been 10 days since the first symptoms. We would also like to remind parents/carers that all students should be self-testing twice a week using the provided LFT test kits. If you do not have a test kit for your child, please contact the school reception on 01844 345 496.

The most common symptoms of COVID-19 are:

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

What to do if your child develops symptoms of COVID 19

If your child develops symptoms of COVID-19, they must not come to school and should remain at home for 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.

If your child or anyone in the household does develop symptoms, you can seek advice from NHS 111 at <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/check-if-you-have-coronavirus-symptoms/> or by phoning 111.

All other household members must stay at home and not leave the house for 14 days from the date the first person in the house became ill. This includes anyone in your 'Support Bubble'.

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.

If you are able, 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.

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>

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Yours sincerely

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