



ST RICHARD'S VC ACADEMY

Saturday 21st November 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

As you will now be aware, we have received confirmation of a new positive COVID-19 test result within our school community.

During an assessment process, your son/daughter has been identified as a possible contact. Following advice from the relevant authorities, we have been required to ask the individual involved and a small number of others to self-isolate at home with immediate effect, as a precautionary measure, until Friday 4th December. This allows for a 14 day period since the last possible interaction in our setting.

I acknowledge that this may be disconcerting for all of the family and particularly your son/daughter. However, we have been clearly advised that this is a precautionary measure.

We understand that:

- No test is required for any student who has been asked to self-isolate unless they develop symptoms;
- No other member of the household is required to take any action at all (including self-isolation) unless the student or they themselves develop symptoms;
- If the student or any member of the household does develop any symptoms, then you should follow the national guidance which is available through our website and described in the attached letter from Public Health England.

During this period, continuity of education is a priority for us. Teaching staff will upload the work being completed in their lessons to our remote learning platform on Microsoft Teams each day. If your son/daughter has any issue in accessing this work and following their usual curriculum at home then please let us know and we will support them in doing so.

Thank you for your continued support and understanding. If you require any additional information or support, please contact the Year office in the first instance.

Yours sincerely
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