



ST RICHARD'S VC ACADEMY

Saturday 1st May 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

Today we have received definite confirmation of a positive COVID-19 test result within our school community through a PCR test.

During an assessment process, your child been identified as a possible contact. Following advice from the relevant authorities, we have been required to ask the individual involved and the 3 / 4 bubble to self-isolate at home as a precautionary measure until **Monday 10th May**. This allows for a 10day period since the last possible interaction at school.

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 teach your child remotely through Google Classroom as they did during the January lockdown. Work will be uploaded on Tuesday and live lessons will begin on Wednesday. Laptops from school will be available on loan during this period and can be collected from school on Tuesday morning; more information about this will follow. If your child has any issue in accessing the work and following their usual curriculum at home, please ring the office so we can support them.

Thank you for your continued support and understanding. If you require any additional information or support, please contact the office on Tuesday morning

Yours sincerely

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