

Tudor Grange Samworth Academy

A Church of England School



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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Coronavirus update

Firstly, thank you for your support and understanding in helping us in our endeavours to keep the school free of Coronavirus, our first priority is always for the welfare of our whole school community. Further to my previous letter, I wanted to provide you with an update on the current situation and how the school is responding to this.

The situation:

We have been informed by a parent a student has been asked to self-isolate following the advice provided by Public Health England (PHE) because they are displaying mild flu-like symptoms. This self-isolation has been a precautionary measure and **we have no confirmed cases of Coronavirus connected with the school** that we are aware of. Naturally, we wish all those who are feeling unwell a speedy recovery.

What we have done:

As you'd expect, we will continue to regularly monitor this highly dynamic situation and to follow the advice from Public Health England and the NHS. You are already aware that we have heightened our own hygiene measures in school and briefed students on the guidance below to help prevent the spread of all germs and we would appreciate your support in reinforcing this at home also. We have identified a dedicated medical isolation room should anyone develop symptoms while in school so we can help minimise contact with others. Of course this room will be deep cleaned if it is required to be used. We have also put plans in place so we are ready to respond should the situation change for the worse, including making schoolwork available online for anyone unable to attend school.

What you should do:

Should anyone develop symptoms (a cough / high temperature / shortness of breath) they should call NHS 111 and follow the advice, which may be to self-isolate. In this case, please call the school to inform us but **do not attend school** until given the clearance to do so by health professionals. I would urge you to only make decisions based upon official information that comes directly from me either via the **academy text service**, the **academy website** or **@TGSAPrincipal** twitter feed.

Where you can find out more:

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

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance>

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/wuhan-novel-coronavirus-information-for-the-public>

We would like to thank you for your ongoing support in helping us to safeguard the good health of our students and all the members of our school community.

Yours sincerely

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