



PEMBROKE
A PRIORY ACADEMY

8th December 2020

Dear Parent / Carer and Student,

I am sorry to report that we have had another positive COVID19 case within the Year10 student population late this afternoon. We have assessed the situation against the guidance and advice from health protection, and your child has been identified as a close contact. They need to immediately self-isolate until **22nd December 2020**. Students who have been asked to isolate can return to the Academy on Tuesday 5th January 2021. However, please note the second bullet point from the government guidance printed below. A number of parents have also asked about the isolation rules for the whole family in these circumstances. Please see below from the DfE's [Guidance for Full Opening](#):

Household members of those contacts who are sent home do not need to self-isolate themselves unless the child, young person or staff member who is self-isolating subsequently develops symptoms. If someone in a class or group that has been asked to self-isolate develops symptoms themselves within their 14-day isolation period they should follow guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus (COVID-19) infection. They should get a test, and:

- *if someone who is self-isolating because they have been in close contact with someone who has tested positive for coronavirus (COVID-19) starts to feel unwell and gets a test for coronavirus themselves, and the test delivers a negative result, they must remain in isolation for the remainder of the 14-day isolation period. This is because they could still develop coronavirus (COVID-19) within the remaining days.*
- *if the test result is positive, they should inform their setting immediately, and should isolate for at least 10 days from the onset of their symptoms (which could mean the self-isolation ends before or after the original 14-day isolation period). Their household should self-isolate for at least 14 days from when the symptomatic person first had symptoms, following guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus (COVID-19) infection*

Further information on self-isolation can be accessed via the link below:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/self-isolation-and-treatment/when-to-self-isolate-and-what-to-do/>

I appreciate that as well as the immediate health and safety concerns you may have, you may also be concerned about the education. All students will be assigned a member of staff to provide a link between home and school. This is to help you with any concerns or worries you may have, be they curriculum or pastorally related. They will be in touch.

All work will be set through the Home Learning on the website. This will include any links to TEAMS meetings and streaming. Should you have any concerns in the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact the pastoral team , Tutor, and / or your Head of Year.

Regards
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