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RE: Confirmed case of coronavirus (COVID-19) in school

Dear parents,

I am writing to inform you that an individual pupil, has tested positive for coronavirus (COVID-19).

The individual has not been in school since they developed symptoms and has been self-isolating at home, as per government advice. They have since accessed a test and have tested positive.

All pupils and staff members within the individual's 'bubble' have been advised to self-isolate for 14 days. You will have been contacted directly if you need to self-isolate – if you have not been contacted, you do not need to take any action at this point. **If your child is in the affected group, the other members of your household are not required to self-isolate unless your child subsequently develops symptoms.**

All staff and pupils will be able to access a test if they begin to display symptoms of coronavirus. If your child develops symptoms, I strongly advise that you access a test. You can apply for a test on the NHS website <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing-and-tracing/ask-for-a-test-to-check-if-you-have-coronavirus/>.

If other cases are detected in the school, Public Health England's local health protection teams will conduct a rapid investigation and will advise us on any further actions that need to be taken. This may include more pupils and staff being sent home to self-isolate. You will be kept fully informed of any developments.

I understand that you may find this news worrying, so please get in touch with SLT on slt@hardwicke.gloucs.sch.uk to discuss any concerns.

I am sure you will all join me in wishing the individual a safe recovery.

Yours sincerely,

Wendy D'Arcy
Headteacher

*Love your neighbour as yourself.
We care, learn and achieve... together.*