

11 November 2020

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Today we received confirmation of a positive covid-19 test from a Year 11 student. This led to the closure of the Year 11 bubble whilst we applied our track and trace procedures in collaboration with Public Health England.

I can confirm that **your child has not been identified as a close contact** with the Year 11 student who has tested positive. This means that **your child is not required to self-isolate**.

However, due to the number of close contacts that were identified, and so that we can ensure full access to the Year 11 curriculum for all children, **ALL** year 11 students will remain at home until **Monday 23 November 2020**.

During this time, **your child does not have to self-isolate indoors but they must comply with the National Lockdown rules**.

Today we sent to your child, via Insight, a pack of work home that is designed to last for the first 2 days of closure. Your child's class teachers will also now begin to set work via Insight for your child to complete. Tomorrow, Mr White (Vice Principal) will write to your child on Insight to outline their blended & virtual learning timetable for the next 7 school days.

To ensure that all children are able to access online learning, over the next 24 hours we will be contacting the families of students (who are not self isolating) who we understand may not have electronic/computer devices at home. These students will be asked to continue to attend King's Oak Academy from Friday 13 November onwards so that they can access the blended learning programme by using our school computers. If your child does not have an electronic device that they can use at home and you have not received a phone call from the academy by 1.30pm 12 November, please call the Main Office (01179 927127).

Lastly, you will be aware that the following mock exams were also due to take place this afternoon/Thursday: French, Business, Music, History and Geography. Rather than ask some children to complete these exams from home and others to continue in school, we intend to re-schedule these exams to be sat on either Monday 23 or Tuesday 24 November 2020. Next week we will give a revised exam timetable to your child so that they can revise and prepare for the exams appropriately.

I want to reassure everyone in our community that we are working tirelessly to keep everyone safe during the pandemic and that we have taken all the necessary steps in line with current Public Health England guidance. I want to thank you for your support in navigating this turbulent time.

Kind Regards



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