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Dear Parents, Carers and Guardians

Coronavirus Procedures

We are writing to remind you of the procedures that we will take if a student displays symptoms of Coronavirus.

If a student has one or more of the following symptoms (as defined by the NHS) we will contact you to collect your child.

- a high temperature
- a new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours
- a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste

If your child is sent home with these symptoms then you must ensure that they and members of their household isolate. You should book a test as soon as possible. If the test is negative then your child can return to school and there is no further need for members of your household to isolate. You must provide evidence of the negative test before your child returns. If the test is positive you will be told what to do next and you must inform the school and remain isolating. Contact tracing will then take place.

We appreciate that this situation provides many challenges for busy working parents but we have to follow this Government advice. We are also aware that the testing system is very busy which adds further to the delay. However it is essential that parents accept our decision to send your child home if we observe Coronavirus symptoms.

We need to do everything that we can to try and prevent the virus from spreading as in the worst case it could lead to the closure of the school.

Thank you for your continued support of Lord Grey Academy.

