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16th September 2020

Dear parents and carers,

I was notified this morning at 7:55am of our first positive Covid case at Cansfield. The student who received the positive test was a Year 11 and the year group has now been sent home to isolate in line with guidance from Public Health England. Year 11 students will spend this period completing work set through Google Classrooms supported by live lessons through that platform as appropriate. The siblings of Year 11 can attend school as normal as long as they do not have symptoms. School remains calm and safe and there is no need for your child to get tested unless they are showing symptoms, please refer to the guidance below and the flow chart attached to this letter to support.

We will communicate with you through our proper channels at all times. Please refrain from sharing information on social media as this may not be correct and may cause confusion and upset.

Main symptoms of Coronavirus

The main symptoms of coronavirus are:

- A high temperature – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- A new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- A loss or change to your sense of smell or taste – this means you have noticed that you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

Most people with coronavirus have at least 1 of these symptoms.

What to do if your child, or someone else in your household, has symptoms

If anyone in your household has any of the main symptoms of coronavirus:

1. Get a test to check whether they have coronavirus as soon as possible.
2. Everyone in the household must then stay at home and you should not have visitors until you get your test result – only leave your home to have a test.

Anyone you live with, and anyone in your support bubble, must also stay at home until you get the test result. If the test is positive everyone in your household must then isolate for 14 days. If a child is tested positive, you must tell us **immediately** by telephone or email during normal school hours. Outside of these hours you can email me at any point at g.baker@cansfield.wigan.sch.uk.

Thank you for your continued support with everything and we look forward to welcoming our Year 11s back as soon as we are able.

Best wishes,

Dr Geoff Baker, Headteacher.

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COVID SYMPTOMS AT HOME FLOW CHART

