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Dear Parents/Carers

I am writing to inform you that we have received confirmation that a member of our Year 10 school community, has tested positive for COVID-19. This letter is to inform you of the current situation. Following government and local authority guidance the affected person and their family have now started their isolation.

We have also sent a letter to parents and carers of students in Year 10 telling them that they need to **isolate for 10 days** from when they last had contact with the person affected. This is in line with government guidance.

Headlands School remains open to Year groups 7, 8, 9, 11 & 6th Form and students should continue to attend if they remain well.

We know that you may find this concerning and I would like to reassure you that our school is very careful to make sure everyone follows government and local authority guidance for cleaning and social distancing.

If you would like to order a Lateral Flow Home Testing Kit please go to:

<https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests>

Should any member of your household start to get symptoms of COVID-19 please arrange to get them tested and inform the school immediately.

The main symptoms of COVID-19 include:

- **a high temperature** - this means they may feel hot to touch on their chest or back (you do not need to take their temperature with a thermometer).
- **a new, continuous cough** - this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if they usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- **a loss or change to their sense of smell or taste** - this means they may tell you that they cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different.

To book a free COVID-19 test, visit the NHS website or phone the NHS on 119:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing-and-tracing/get-a-test-to-check-if-you-have-coronavirus/>

Information about coronavirus (COVID-19) is available on the government website:

<https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>

The health, safety and wellbeing of our children and staff is extremely important to us and we thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely



Mrs S Bone
Headteacher

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