



# OLDFIELD SCHOOL

Ref: Headteacher/Symptoms

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Dear Parent/Carer,

I am writing to you regarding the procedures for informing the school if your child or another member of your household has COVID-19 symptoms and, also, with advice on the steps that you should then take. In the first instance, if you have anyone in your household with COVID-19 symptoms you should carry out a self-assessment using the NHS online assessment form, the link for this is: <https://111.nhs.uk/covid-19>.

We have been asked to ask you not to contact your GP as they will not be able to advise you as to whether your child does or does not have symptoms of coronavirus. If, following completion of the online assessment tool, the outcome is that these may be symptoms of COVID-19 you must inform the school and your household must self-isolate pending a negative test result. The guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus infection is available via this link: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance>.

Can I reiterate that it is vitally important that the school is informed as soon as possible and that siblings of students with symptoms are not sent to school.

We do not need to be updated on a daily basis with regards to your child's absence if self-isolating but must be informed of the outcome of the test result as soon as you have this via [enquiries@oldfieldschool.com](mailto:enquiries@oldfieldschool.com). If the result is negative then your child can return to school without further delay.

Can I also take this opportunity to remind you that students must wear face coverings when in the main building and Science 1 and also when on public or dedicated school buses. Given this, please ensure that your child carries at least two face coverings/masks in school every day. My advice is that your child has one for every day of the week and that they are washed at weekends ready for the following week.

Thank you for your support with this.

Yours faithfully

Mr S Mackay  
**Headteacher**