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Dear Parent/Carer

Letter regarding COVID-19 – Year 8 and 10 to remain at home Wed 23rd September 2020

We have been notified late this evening, via our new telephone number for Covid test results, of a confirmed case of Covid-19 within the school.

We know that you may find this concerning but we are continuing to monitor the situation and will once again work closely with Public Health England and the DfE when speak with them tomorrow. This letter is to inform you of the current situation and to provide advice on how to support your child. Please be reassured that for most people, coronavirus will be a mild illness.

We have already commenced the track and trace process and will continue tomorrow at school. The children who have been in direct prolonged contact with the confirmed case will receive tomorrow, an individual letter and phone call and will need to stay at home for 14 days.

As an immediate precautionary measure, all students in the relevant year groups, **YEAR 8 and YEAR 10, should remain at home tomorrow (Wednesday 23rd Sep 2020) and should not attend school.**

No school transport routes are affected in this case.

The school remains open to all other year groups and as outlined in the previous letter today, the majority of Year 7 can return to school tomorrow.

What to do if your child develops symptoms of Covid 19:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection>

We will be issuing further information and updates when we are in school tomorrow. In the meantime, please remind your children of the importance of face-coverings, washing and sanitising hands, socially distancing themselves from others and following the instructions of QEGS staff when onsite at all times.

Thank you for your support and cooperation today. Once again, please do not contribute or partake in any social media commentary or speculation about this case or any other matters related to this. It can be particularly upsetting for the family affected and we want to ensure that our time and efforts are devoted to keeping your children safe and well educated, whether that be in school or at home.

Yours faithfully

Mr S Garrity
Headteacher