

# Lincoln Castle Academy

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**Urgent: Required Collection of Year 7 Students from 11.30am, Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2020**

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**Requirement for your child to self-isolate for 14 days**

Dear Parent/ Carer,

I am writing to you as this morning we have been informed of a second confirmed case of Covid-19 within Year 7. As this second case falls just within the 14-day period following the first case, we are taking the most cautious approach to minimise risk to all. All Year 7 students are required to remain at home for 14 days until they return to school on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November for the new half term.

**Parents of Year 7 children currently in school should make arrangements to collect their child via the main entrance as soon as possible. Please telephone: 01522 529203 if you intend to make alternative arrangements. We can only allow students to leave the school site once arrangements have been confirmed.**

In the meantime, I will be speaking to all Year 7 students during break time this morning to reassure them before they depart. These are challenging times for all of us, but it is of paramount importance that our students do not feel alarmed and understand that adults are working together to take calm sensible precautions.

**Year 7 Students already self-isolating (as requested by LCA)**

A small number of Year 7 students have already been self-isolating from Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> September as a precautionary measure. If your child is one of those currently at home and is feeling well and showing no symptoms at the end of the 14-day period of self-isolation, then they can return to usual activities, including returning to school on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> October.

**Further Guidance**

Your child does not need to be tested unless they become symptomatic and your household does not need to self-isolate unless the contact (your child) gets symptoms. Siblings can continue to attend school throughout this period. We are asking you to support these preventative measures to reduce the further spread of COVID 19 to others in the community.

During the period of term time isolation, we will provide remote learning for students via 'ShowMyHomework'; further information will follow shortly.

Further guidance for those who have been identified as a close contact of someone with confirmed coronavirus (COVID-19), but do not live with that person, can be found here: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-for-contacts-of-people-with-possible-or-confirmed-coronavirus-covid-19-infection-who-do-not-live-with-the-person>  
The attached guidance provides important information on the symptoms of Covid-19, how to prevent the spread and what do if your child develops symptoms. For most people, coronavirus (COVID-19) will be a mild illness.

**Thank you for your understanding and support at this time.**

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Louise Laming  
Headteacher