

4th November 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

COVID 19 – Community Update

We are writing to update you that we have a parent of a child in school, Mrs Nikki Tate, mother of Summer, Thomas and Hope, who yesterday evening received a text notification from the Test & Trace App telling her to self-isolate for 14 days due to potential contact with someone who has tested positive for coronavirus. Mrs Tate has been given no further information and has not received an email or telephone call as would normally be expected.

Mrs Tate, who is not displaying any symptoms, has taken a coronavirus test today, has kept her children at home and will continue to do so until her result has been received. **The approach taken exercises caution beyond guidance given**, which suggests that children of those who receive a Text & Trace **notification can still attend school as long as no symptoms are being seen in the household**.

All being well we hope to see the children back in school very soon.

We continue to operate the school site in line with the Local Authority, Public Health England and Government protocols and specific advice. With this in mind, it seems an appropriate time to remind everyone of the importance of social distancing at all times and to reiterate the guidance we have been highlighting over recent weeks.

- Arrive <u>not too early</u>, for drop-off and pick up as close to 8.30am and 3.15pm as possible please.
 - Follow the <u>'in' and 'out'</u> lanes on the Queensway drive.
 - Keep <u>all children close</u> to you when on the school site.
 - Keep moving away from the school gates to prevent any 'pinch points' at busy times.

We are grateful to Mrs Tate and her family for the approach that they have adopted, for speaking with us so swiftly and for allowing us to share this picture with you in such detail. We wish them well over the coming days and weeks.

Yours sincerely,

Katy Galling Head of Learning and Development