



Atlantic Academy

Part of the Launceston College Multi Academy Trust

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Dear Parents and Carers

We have been advised by Public Health England that there has been a confirmed case of COVID-19 within the school. The small number of children who have been in direct prolonged contact with the confirmed case will have received an individual letter and will be staying at home for 14 days.

We know that you may find this concerning but are continuing to monitor the situation and are working closely with Public Health England. This letter is to inform you of the current situation and provide advice on how to support your child. Please be reassured that for most people, coronavirus (COVID-19) will be a mild illness.

The school remains open and your child should continue to attend if they remain well.

What to do if your child develops symptoms of COVID 19

If your child develops symptoms of COVID-19, **you should organise for your child to be tested** via the [NHS online portal](#) or by calling 119. Your household should isolate until you receive the test results giving the all clear. If you are unable to book a local slot then you can email d-ccg.devon.urgenttesting@nhs.net making clear that the test is for a child attending a Devon School, and you will be supported to access local testing. The symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are a recent onset of:

- A continuous cough and/or
- A high temperature and/or
- A loss of, or change in, normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

How to stop COVID-19 spreading

There are things you can do to help reduce the risk of you and anyone you live with getting ill with COVID-19

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Do

- wash your hands with soap and water often – do this for at least 20 seconds
- use hand sanitiser gel if soap and water are not available
- wash your hands as soon as you get home
- cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your sleeve (not your hands) when you cough or sneeze
- put used tissues in the bin immediately and wash your hands afterwards

Further Information

Further information is available at <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>

I appreciate that this will be a worrying time for all members of the school community, and we ask you to remain calm and vigilant during this period. Please contact your child's coach if you have any concerns.

If there is any further information or update, I will share this with parents and carers without delay.

Best wishes



Mrs Lynsey Slater
Principal