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Dear Parent/Guardian

Unfortunately, we have been informed of a PCR positive case of Covid-19 within the Year 7 cohort affecting Form 7 Assisi and Form 7 Bakhita at BGN.

We have followed the national guidance and have identified that your child has been in close contact with the affected person. **Please take the following actions and please note there has been a change to this guidance and close contacts are now asked to take a PCR test:-**

- Your child should stay at home and self-isolate up to and including **Saturday 24 July 2021** following national guidance: <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>. We are asking you to do this to reduce the spread of Covid-19 to others in the community. If your child is well and has not tested positive at the end of the ten-day period of self-isolation, then they can return to their usual activities.
- For the remainder of this academic year, lessons for these two form groups will be set on the VLE in the usual manner. Students should log into MLTV for their lessons, some of which will be live, and they should follow the information given to them by their teachers through the 'Homework' facility.
- Other members of your household can continue normal activities provided your child does not develop symptoms within the ten-day self-isolation period, or test positive.
- **As an extra precaution, Public Health England (PHE) is now advising close contacts to get a Covid-19 PCR test.** You should arrange for the close contact to get this test as soon as possible within the ten-day isolation period, ideally through the home PCR testing service. Please refer to the attached factsheet and this guidance for more information: [Guidance for contacts of people with confirmed coronavirus \(COVID-19\) infection who do not live with the person - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-for-contacts-of-people-with-confirmed-coronavirus-COVID-19-infection-who-do-not-live-with-the-person). If your child has had a positive PCR test within the last 90 days, you do not need to get another test unless they have new symptoms.

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- If your child tests positive, they need to isolate with their household following national guidance [COVID-19: guidance for households with possible coronavirus infection - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/covid-19-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-infection). If they test negative, they must still complete ten days isolation.
- All members of the household aged 11 and over should continue to do their regular LFD test twice a week (every three to four days).
- Anyone with symptoms should get a PCR test as soon as possible and isolate with their household. <https://www.nhs.uk/ask-for-a-coronavirus-test>
- You may be eligible for a support payment if you are caring for a child who has to self-isolate as a close contact, or have to self-isolate yourself as a case or a close contact. Please see: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/test-and-trace-support-payment-scheme-claiming-financial-support/claiming-financial-support-under-the-test-and-trace-support-payment-scheme> for more information.
- Please also inform us of any positive result.

Thank you for your support and understanding in this matter.

Yours sincerely



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Enclosure: information sheet for close contacts of PCR positive cases

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