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Dear Parent/Carer

Unfortunately, we have been informed today of a positive lateral flow test result for one of our learners in Year 11. The parent of the pupil in question is in the process of arranging an official PCR follow up test.

The pupil in question was in school on Friday 16th April which means that in line with guidance from Welsh Government and Newport City Council, all children in that year group cannot be in school until the pupil who tested positive with a lateral flow test receives a negative PCR test result. Ordinarily, up until this point, all Year 11 pupils would need to remain at home as a precautionary measure in order to reduce the possible spread of the virus to family, friends and the wider community. I am, however, liaising with Newport City Council to see if I can move forward with a track and trace approach (as outlined in previous correspondence) that is, checking which pupils were in close contact with the positive case on Friday so that only those pupils need to self-isolate. Further communication will be issued by the end of the day tomorrow in order to keep you fully updated.

It may be that the pupil in question receives a negative result from the official PCR test. If this is the case we will contact you to let you know it is safe for year 11 to return. If, however, the test is positive, we will contact you with return date(s) for pupils.

In the meantime remote learning will be provided to all Year 11 learners.

If your child displays any Covid-19 symptoms, parents/carers should request a test via <https://gov.wales/apply-coronavirus-covid-10-test> and notify the school. Anyone wishing to apply for a test can also call the free number 119 between the hours of 7.00 am and 11.00 pm. People with hearing or speech difficulties can call 18001 119.

A focus clean is taking place and all other year groups will continue to attend school as planned. There is no need for anyone who is not contacted to self-isolate or be unduly concerned.

Everyone is encouraged to remain alert to Covid-19 and continue to follow national guidance to help combat the spread of the virus. Please remind your child about the importance of social distancing outside of school and wearing a face mask when in communal areas of the school.

School staff remain vigilant to pupils displaying symptoms and are ready to take appropriate action. Parents and carers can support this by remaining alert and ensuring that children do not attend school if they develop any potential symptoms, however mild.

Please be assured that we continue to do everything within our control to minimize risk in order to keep your child safe and well whilst in school.

Best wishes

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Mrs T Jarvis
Headteacher