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Dear Parents and Carers

The letter below is being sent to all of the parents of our current students. I am sending it to you for information. For the welcome evening tonight, parents of children in Year 6 can choose whether or not they wish to go round the school after meeting with the form tutor. If you prefer to simply meet with the form tutor, that is perfectly acceptable.

Queen Elizabeth II High School has been notified that a member of our school community has tested positive for Covid-19. They are therefore self-isolating and contact tracing is underway.

Following advice from Public Health, the School will continue to be open to all students, however interaction with other schools is being limited where possible, with only essential activities taking place.

The situation will be reviewed on a regular basis with advice from the Public Health Directorate and regular updates will be given to all students and parents/carers.

Existing mitigations are in place including increased access to lateral flow tests, a reminder of [hand, face, space and fresh air messaging](#), reducing indoor activities and increased ventilation of rooms. If students or staff wish to wear a face covering this will be supported, masks will be provided by the school for those who wish to wear one but don't have their own.

Members of the school are therefore encouraged to remain vigilant and need to be aware of the **symptoms of Covid-19**, namely:

- a temperature of more than 37.8C (100F)
- OR, a new and persistent cough - this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- OR, anosmia – this is the loss of or a change in your normal sense of smell. It can also affect your sense of taste as the two are closely linked
- OR, a new shortness of breath

In the event of your child experiencing any of these symptoms, we ask you to keep your child at home and seek clinical advice from 111. They must follow Government guidelines in terms of self-isolation rules.

Good hygiene practice remains vital. Further details about symptoms and good hygiene practice can be found on Government's Covid-19 website at:- <https://covid19.gov.im/>

Yours faithfully

Sue Moore
Head