



SUMMERHILL SCHOOL

27 November 2020

ALL PARENTS AND CARERS

Dear Parents/Carers

Re: Advice to All Parents/Carers – Positive Cases of COVID-19 at Summerhill School – 27 November 2020

We have been advised this afternoon that there have been another two confirmed positive cases of COVID-19 at Summerhill. **One is in Year 10 and the other is in Year 11.** The two cases are unrelated and originate outside of the school but as a result, there are several students who will need to self-isolate for the next 14 days.

Any children who may have been in direct prolonged close contact within 48 hours of the confirmed cases earlier this week (this will relate to specific students in Year 10 and Year 11) will receive an individual email stating they are affected and must not return to school until Wednesday 9th December 2020. They will need to self-isolate at home for 14 days during this time and should not be mixing with people outside of their household or out in any social gatherings. Their self-isolation will end at midnight on Tuesday 8th December 2020.

For students in Year 11, we are aware this will impact the start of mock examinations. Once we have been able to establish the extent of disruption likely, we will make contact to explain what will happen. Revision should however continue as normal in preparation for these exams.

In accordance with national guidance, the school remains open for all other students and they should continue to attend if they remain well and are not displaying any symptoms.

PLEASE DO NOT SEND YOUR CHILD INTO SCHOOL IF THEY ARE DISPLAYING SYMPTOMS OR MAY HAVE BEEN IN CONTACT WITH SOMEONE WHO IS POSITIVE, OR MAY BE POSITIVE, AS THIS PUTS OTHER STUDENTS AND STAFF AT RISK.

We will keep you updated of developments and issue further information, as necessary. Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely

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Headteacher