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Latest Advice on Coronavirus

Dear Parent / Carers,

I hope this letter finds you and your loved ones well and that you have had an enjoyable summer break. The staff and I are looking forward to working with you and your daughter this year.

We recognise that as a school it is important that we maintain a cautious approach to managing the challenges of the pandemic, of which we will require your support in order to allow us to deliver a high-quality curriculum and learning experience whilst keeping the CFGS community and your families safe. To that end we need your support with limiting the transmission of Covid: if your daughter has any of the main symptoms of COVID-19 as listed below, even if they are mild, you must book her a PCR test to check if she has COVID-19 as soon as possible. Your daughter should stay at home and not have visitors (self-isolate) until you get the test result – your daughter can only leave home to have the test.

The main symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are:

- high temperature – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- new, continuous 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)
- loss or change to your sense of smell or taste – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal.

If your daughter develops any of these symptoms in school we will notify you and will send her home to book a PCR test.

You can book a PCR test by visiting this website: <https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test>

If your daughter's result is positive, you must inform the school as soon as possible and NHS track and trace will be contacting you to identify close contacts'. Please also inform us of a negative test result.

As a school we are recommending that students still wear face coverings in school, particularly in communal areas.

Finally, if you have any questions please contact us via the welcome email on our website.

Yours sincerely

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