



# Harriers Banbury Academy

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## Advice to All Parents

Dear Parents/Carers,

As advised in our letters of 7<sup>th</sup> November 2020, we have been made aware of a member of our school community who has test positive for COVID 19.

The small number of children who have been in close contact with the individual who tested positive have received a letter informing them that their child must isolate until Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> November.

It is vital for your child to follow the guidance if advised to isolate, to slow the spread of COVID 19. NHS guidance explains that your child **must not leave your home if self-isolating**, which includes:

- do not go to work, school or public places
- do not go on public transport or use taxis
- do not go out to get food and medicine – order online or by phone, or ask someone to bring it to your home
- do not have visitors in your home, including friends and family – except for people providing essential care
- do not go out to exercise – exercise at home or in your garden, if you have one

For more information, see: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/self-isolation-and-treatment/when-to-self-isolate-and-what-to-do/>

The school remains open for all other children and your child should attend as normal if they remain well. Only pupils whose parents have been contacted need to isolate; siblings do not need to isolate, so long as there are no symptoms in the household.

## Making a childcare bubble with another household – information for parents

We appreciate that it may be difficult to transport siblings if your child has been told to isolate. The government has published guidance which may be helpful on how to form a childcare bubble. A childcare bubble is where one household links with one other household to provide informal childcare to a child or children aged 13 or under. They can provide the childcare in either or both of the homes from the 2 households. 'Informal' childcare means it is unpaid and unregistered. Once all children in a household are 14 or above, the arrangement must stop.

## Further Information

Further information is available at:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection>

and

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>

Please feel free to contact the school office if you have any questions/concerns. Thank you for your support.

Yours faithfully,

Alex Pearson, Executive Principal

