



THE DEAN TRUST
Lord Derby Academy

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1st December 2020

Advice for Child to not return to school until **Monday 14th December 2020**

Dear Parent/Carer

Today, we have received notification of a confirmed case of COVID-19 within our school community. The case is in **an identified group within the Year 8 bubble**. We have followed the national guidance from Public Health England. We have identified that your child is part of this group and has therefore been in possible close contact with the affected child.

In line with the national guidance, your child should now stay at home and self-isolate. Your child can return to school on **Monday 14th December 2020 - providing they are well**. We are asking you to do this to reduce the further spread of COVID-19 to others in the community. A negative test result during the isolation period does not mean that your child can return to school earlier than **Monday 14th December 2020**.

We understand that this situation will bring challenges for your families. However, in line with government guidance, this is the only course of action we can take in the circumstances.

The school will ensure your child continues to receive their education whilst at home. Your child will be provided with remote learning activities at home via Classcharts and Google Classroom. Please contact the school if you cannot access these platforms from home.

As Headteacher, I would like to reassure you that we are continuing to take the necessary actions to keep all members of our LDA community as safe as possible. I am supported in this endeavour by The Dean Trust, school governors and Knowsley Local Authority.

I thank you for your continued support and understanding during these challenging and uncertain times.

Yours sincerely,

Miss V. Gowan
Headteacher

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