

Lowton Church of England High School



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Dear parents and carers

Important notice to all Year 9 and Year 10 parents regarding Friday 23 October.

I am sorry to have to write to you at short notice and inform you that we are unable to have Years 9 and 10 in school tomorrow (Friday 23rd October) - the last day of this half term.

We have been notified of a positive COVID-19 case and need to take precautionary safe action in line with advice from the DfE, Public Health England and the Local Authority.

We have had to ask a number of staff and pupils to stay at home tomorrow and we are not able to run the school as we would normally.

This is not a decision we have taken lightly but in the context of our collective efforts to tackle the coronavirus it is one that we are required to take and plan a response to accordingly.

Some pupils in Years 9 and 10 will need to self-isolate. **If this applies to your child you will receive a second letter making this clear to you.**

Unfortunately, due to the short notice of the school being notified, we will only be able to provide a limited amount of remote learning for pupils on Friday 23rd October. If pupils have any school or homework to complete they should do this as a starting point and also check SatchelOne for any additional work that teachers have been able to provide.

Pupils in Years 7, 8 and 11 will be in school as normal on Friday 23 October.

To be clear on what you need to do as parents:

- Your child does not need to self-isolate unless you get a separate letter from me.
- You as parent(s) do not need to self-isolate unless you or your child develops symptoms.
- You or your child do not need to get tested unless they develop Covid symptoms.
- If you or your child develop symptoms you should ring 119 to arrange a test immediately.

As a reminder, if you or your child become unwell with a new continuous cough, a high temperature or has a loss of, or change in, your normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia), please follow government guidance by self-isolating and getting tested. Please inform the school if your child tests positive, even if this is during the half term break.

You can email us via testresult@lowtonhs.wigan.sch.uk. Please do not wait until reception opens to contact us. I will be in touch again in the near future with further updates.

Yours faithfully

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