



Nailsea School

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Dear Parents/Carers

We have today been advised that a member of staff has tested positive for Covid-19. Our staff ensure that they remain 2 metres away from students, wear face masks in corridors and social areas and hand sanitise on entering and leaving rooms as a minimum. I have reiterated the importance of this with them. The member of staff who tested positive is part of our Catering Team and was last in school on 2 December 2020. The small number of staff who have been in close contact have been asked to isolate. No students are affected.

As a result of this group of staff having to isolate, unfortunately we will not be able to continue to offer the full catering service for the next two weeks. Obviously this is not an ideal situation but we have pulled together the remaining staff to cover the catering service so we can at least offer a limited provision. We will be supplying a reduced offer of hot wraps, cold food and drinks at break and lunch time for students to purchase.

I appreciate that the rising number of cases both regionally and within school could be causing anxiety. We do continue to follow the Government guidelines for social distancing and PPE in school and hope that this will continue to keep the cases amongst staff and students minimal.

As mentioned in a previous letter home if staff levels of absence mean that the school cannot operate safely, the decision may need to be made to teach classes in different ways or to be forced to partially close to certain year groups. Naturally, this would be a last resort and parents and students will be kept fully informed. The quickest way for this information to be shared with families is through School Comms and I would urge any parent/carer who has not already done so to ensure they have downloaded the School Gateway app.

I will be in touch with my weekly update on Friday. Thank you for your ongoing support

Take care and be kind

Yours faithfully

Mrs Dee Elliott
Headteacher