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Dear Parent/Carer,

As you'll be aware, NHS Test and Trace are able to identify and instruct people to self-isolate across the country as part of the measures to reduce the transmission of Covid-19. This National system also applies to staff working within schools who may be contacted and advised to follow such guidelines.

It is therefore of course possible that a member of school staff may be contacted in this way and instructed to work from home. This may even be the case where the staff member themselves is well, not displaying any symptoms and is not required to take any form of test.

Over the past few months, we have developed our effective use of technology and have made a significant investment in both equipment and training to enable members of staff who are working off site to fulfil all aspects of their role. We have a robust remote learning strategy in the event of both children or staff having to be at home. An example of this would be live streaming of lessons directly into the classroom whilst additional staff working on site facilitate learning within the classroom.

While this might feel new and a little strange, many industries have developed creative and effective ways of working during these challenging times; this is the same in school. This method has been trialled in some of our other academies with great success. Therefore, when required, we will use such methods at Newstead Green. I have every confidence that when such methods are deployed, your child will continue to receive an effective and high quality standard education.

Thank you for your continued support as we work together to ensure minimal disruption to provision for your child.

Yours sincerely



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