

THE HARMONY TRUST

Westwood Academy



Monday 12th July 2021

Confirmed case of Covid-19 at Westwood Academy in Year 6

We have been informed that a member of our academy has tested positive for Covid-19. We are working closely with Public Health England to reduce the risk of infection for our children and our staff.

This means that **we have had to close the Year 6 class**. The children and staff members will now self-isolate. This means they will stay at home until Tuesday 20th July (inclusive).

All other pupils can remain in school. We have taken a range of measure to ensure that we are adhering to the government's guidelines for schools.

Testing for pupils who feel unwell

It is important that we are all aware of the symptoms of Covid-19 and only well children and staff attend school or childcare settings.

The main symptoms of coronavirus are:

- high temperature
- new, continuous cough –this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours
- loss or change to your sense of smell or taste –this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal.

Anyone who has these symptoms should stay at home or return home as soon as possible to isolate and arrange a PCR test by calling 119 or visiting www.nhs.uk/coronavirus.

Greater Manchester Public Health are also asking that pupils who feel unwell but who do not have any of the three main symptoms of COVID-19 get a PCR test. In this situation your child does not have to self-isolate unless the test result comes back as positive or they are a close contact of someone who has tested positive.

For most people Covid-19 is a mild illness. We are taking a range of measures and precautions as identified in our risk assessment and will do all that we can to keep everyone safe.

If you have any questions please get in touch with the academy using info@westwood.theharmonytrust.org

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