



KING JAMES'S SCHOOL

KNARESBOROUGH

9th September 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

If anyone in your household or support bubble experience any of the following Covid19 symptoms:

- a new continuous cough
- a high temperature
- a loss of, or change in, your normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

or have been advised to isolate by the NHS Test and Trace service it is essential that you follow the government [self-isolation guidance](#) and that your child does not attend school.

Ring the school absence line on 01423 798728 to inform us of any of the following:

- If your child or anyone in your household has symptoms of Covid19 and are self-isolating
- If your child or anyone in your household is currently being tested for Covid19
- If your child or anyone in your household tests positive or negative for Covid19
- If your child or anyone in your household have been advised to isolate by the NHS Test and Trace service.

Please tell us your child's/children's name, year group and as much detail as possible regarding who in your household is showing symptoms, being tested or have received test results and include symptom dates, test dates and end of isolation dates etc. If you have been told to self-isolate by the NHS Test and Trace service you will need to inform us of the dates you have been given.

North Yorkshire County Council have asked us to notify them immediately if we have any suspected or confirmed cases of Covid19 in school. This includes staff, students and their parents and carers/household members.

The Government has made school attendance for all pupils compulsory from September 2020. This requirement currently includes those who were previously shielding themselves or family/household members due to Covid19 concerns. There are a few exceptions to this who are still categorised as clinically extremely vulnerable and will have been informed by a GP or Specialist and advised to continue to shield. If your child has such status please contact us. See [this link](#) for further information. For the vast majority of our pupils the usual rules for attendance will apply and they should be in school unless they are unwell.

Thank you for your continued co-operation in ensuring your child and our school community stay safe.

Yours sincerely

Mr CA Sugden
Headteacher