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## Dear Parents/Carers

## Covid-19 Update

I am writing to inform you that I have been notified by Public Health Wales of a confirmed case of Covid-19 in the school. Following Welsh Government and local authority guidance, it is necessary for pupils in 90 and 9AMG to self-isolate with immediate effect for 14 days until 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2020. If you have received notification that your child needs to self-isolate it is important that they stay at home until this date in order to reduce the possible spread of the virus to family, friends and the wider community. Current public health advice states that other members of your household do not need to self-isolate. You should, however, be particularly vigilant about your child's health and if they display any coronavirus symptoms, you should ensure that are tested as soon as possible.

The school remains open for all other pupils in Year 9 and every other year group, and we expect these pupils to continue attending school as normal.

In line with current guidance, the school has undertaken a deep clean of relevant areas to reduce the risk of spreading the virus further. We will continue to be vigilant in adhering to all guidelines so that we can keep all pupils and staff safe. To support this, please remind your children of the need for good personal hygiene and the use of face masks when in all public areas of the school.

Please do not send your child to school if they display any of the symptoms of Covid-19:

- A continuous cough
- A high temperature
- Loss of taste or smell

Please do not send your child to school if they, or anyone they live with, have been diagnosed with or has symptoms of Covid-19 in the last 14 days. More information can be found at: <a href="https://phw.nhs.wales/topics/latest-information-on-novel-coronavirus-covid-19/">https://phw.nhs.wales/topics/latest-information-on-novel-coronavirus-covid-19/</a>

I know that this will cause you all some concern and this is completely understandable. However, I want to reassure you that all appropriate risk assessments and safety measures are in place throughout the school. These are being strictly followed to protect all pupils and staff and to limit the risk of any cross-contamination.

If you have any concerns, please contact the school directly via email at: <a href="mailto:contact@cantonian.org">contact@cantonian.org</a>

Best wishes

Yours sincerely

MRS D GILL Headteacher