



Bramcote College

A member of The White Hills Park Trust

Message to parents with regard to COVID-19.

**Emailed to all parents and carers of Bramcote College students
for whom we hold a valid email address.**

18th March 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

Please think very carefully when you send your child to school.

Anyone with Covid-19 symptoms, which include a continuous cough, a temperature, shortness of breath should be staying at home for 14 days.

Since Monday it is also expected that people living in the same household as someone with these symptoms should self-isolate for 14 days, as they may develop or spread the Covid-19 virus.

The aim of this is to reduce the spread of the virus between students and staff and their wider families, which could include people who are considered to be more vulnerable to the virus, including the elderly, those with certain medical conditions and pregnant women.

Your child should NOT attend school IF:

- **anyone** in your home has a temperature or a continuous cough
- **your child has virus-like symptoms (cough, a temperature, shortness of breath)**
- they have recently had close contact with someone who has developed virus-like **symptoms**
- they have an underlying medical condition (www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-guidance-on-social-distancing-and-for-vulnerable-people)

We will authorise absences, however, please let us know you are keeping your child off school for this reason. Please phone 01159168900 to report your child's absence.

Work for students

We are currently educating all children that are attending school and despite some staff absence all lessons are being taught. If your child is self-isolating please note that we currently do not have capacity to provide work to be completed at home, however, they can access work through online platforms such as Seneca (<http://www.senecalearning.com/>) and My Maths (www.mymaths.co.uk) which students are familiar with.

Should school close, our distance learning plan will come into action almost immediately Staff at Bramcote College are working hard to ensure that suitable work packs are produced for students to do at home if they are self-isolating and are well enough to work, or if the Government take the decision to close schools. As you can imagine, it's taking time and thought for staff to ensure that the work is suitably engaging and challenging to support and develop students' learning, especially for GCSE, BTEC and A Level student. Work will be made available to students and students, parents and carers will be informed. This work will be regularly updated.

The current situation is changing on an almost daily basis, so we will make sure that we are updating parents and carers as often as possible.

Mrs Gale and The Bramcote College Leadership Team