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Dear Parents

Positive COVID-19 case notification update

On 28 June I notified parents that a Year 8 student at our Walnut Tree campus had tested positive using an LFD test and would take a confirmatory PCR test. I am pleased to advise that this test has come back negative and the student is back in school.

Yesterday, a parent notified Walton High that their child, who is in Year 8 at Walnut Tree, tested positive for COVID-19 using an PCR test.

Fortunately, neither of these cases had any identified close contacts so no other students had to self-isolate.

As you will have seen in Annex B of Update 40, there has been a noticeable rise in cases locally in recent days. Please be particularly vigilant for symptoms of COVID-19 in your child and amongst other household members. **If anyone develops symptoms of COVID-19, they must book a PCR test.** To access testing please visit <https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test>.

The typical symptoms of COVID-19 are cough, fever or loss/change in smell/taste. However not everyone has these symptoms. **Other symptoms include headache, fatigue and symptoms of the common cold.** Around 1 in 3 people with COVID-19 do not have any symptoms but can still transmit the virus. Young children often have mild or no symptoms.

Other things that you can do to help control the spread of COVID-19 include:

1. Parents, carers and children of secondary school age can continue to participate in the twice weekly LFD testing programme and to report these through the [Government website](#).
2. Parents or carers who are eligible for vaccination, can book their vaccination at: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/coronavirus-vaccination/book-coronavirus-vaccination/>

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

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