

4 September 2020

TO ALL PARENTS/CARERS

Dear Parent/Carer

Thank you for your support and understanding regarding the current situation at The JCB Academy. The academy has taken advice from Public Health England and the Staffordshire COVID-19 Response Team to mitigate the risk from this confirmed isolated case.

The academy staff met first thing this morning and are currently working on contact tracing any learner who has had close contact with the individual concerned and therefore needs to self-isolate. Details of the next steps will be clearly explained during these telephone calls and will be followed up in writing. The team hope to complete their calls by 12:00 midday today and I respectfully ask you to avoid calling the academy until after this time unless you have an urgent query.

The academy will open as normal on Monday, 7 September 2020. Learners are able to access learning on Google Classroom for each of their lessons today.

At this point in time you do not need to be unduly concerned, however should your son or daughter exhibit any of the following symptoms please book a coronavirus test and keep them and any siblings at home until you receive the result:

- a high temperature - this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature);
- a new, continuous cough - this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or three or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual);
- a 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.

Your comments and suggestions regarding this issue are warmly welcomed by email to office@jcbacademy.com

Yours sincerely



Mrs J McGuirk
Principal