23 September 2020

Dear Parents and Carers

Thank you for your response to our travel and IT survey last week.

As you know, we have now shared a guide to the online learning platform with students, in order for us to be able to move to distanced learning should we need to.

We have been working closely with our colleagues at schools that have already experienced the process of a COVID evacuation. As a result, we need to ask for your permission to dismiss students from either of our two campuses, should the need arise. To be clear, if we are informed that a Weald student has tested positive for COVID, we will need to take immediate action and may need to ask students in the same year group as the affected student to self-isolate.

If you do not respond to this letter by 8am on Monday 28 September 2020, we will assume you are happy, after a message has been sent to you, for your child to be dismissed from school to make their own way home. We have received confirmation that students are permitted to make their way home on foot or via public transport but must wear face coverings in these circumstances. Therefore, it is important that all students carry a face covering with them during the school day.

If you do not consent to your child being dismissed, please email covid@wealdgs.org by 8am on Monday to inform us who will be collecting your child should the need arise. You need to be aware that all students must be off the school site within an hour of the notification being sent to parents and carers.

Additionally, please find attached a letter produced by Public Health England. It explains when a person requires a coronavirus test and what the symptoms of coronavirus are.

As always, thank you for your understanding and patience.

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