



30 November 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

It is with deep regret that we have had to collapse our Year 9 bubble today. We had been alerted to a number of positive cases of COVID19 over the weekend and our intention was to keep the cohort in school by only isolating close contacts identified.

Over the course of Sunday evening and Monday morning we have been alerted to several more cases within the year group. It would seem very apparent that there has been transmission within this bubble and having completed our internal track and trace for the 11 cases reported so far, the vast majority of students have potentially been in contact. We can also not confidently identify all close contacts at break and lunch in their zoned areas or during movement times, so need to take appropriate action to reduce any further transmission on the campus.

This is never an easy decision to make as we know the impact it has on your child's learning and also your lives as parents/carers. I hope you understand why this action has been necessary to keep your child and our community as safe as possible. I have contacted all teaching staff to ensure they make all lessons available in the Google Classroom so your child's education can continue in the interim, there will also be some live delivery across a number of subject areas too. Should your child have any issues accessing the work in google classroom please let the school know. Please also let the school know if you don't have the hardware required as we also have a very limited number of devices available to any students who may be struggling with access along with some 4G dongles too.

Students in Year 9 should return to campus on the Monday 14th December to allow for the 14 day isolation period to be completed.

Should your child develop symptoms and subsequently test positive during this period please advise us of the following details via the reception@brookvalegroby.com email address:

When did symptoms start?

When was the test taken?

When did results come back?

Can you identify any close contacts you have had both students or staff?

Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Yours sincerely

W Teece
Headteacher