

# Alderbrook School

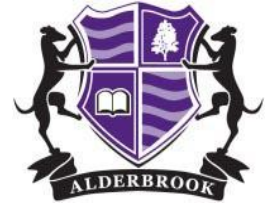
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Dear Parents and Carers,

I truly hope that students and their families are able to have a restful half term. I fully appreciate that for those who are having to isolate or who are unwell, this may be a difficult time. Please read these important updates, as we will need to react if there are further cases in our school community over the half term break. We have had one further confirmed case of COVID-19 today in Year 11. As stated in my letter yesterday, all Year 11 are working from home today, and we will contact any students who are identified as a close contact to this case in a separate letter.

## Positive cases at half term

It is possible, given the recent increase in positive cases of COVID-19 in our local community and school, that members of the school community may test positive over the half term break. If any student tests positive over half term, please can you inform the school immediately by emailing [covidpositive@alderbrook.solihull.sch.uk](mailto:covidpositive@alderbrook.solihull.sch.uk). This is so we can trace any close contacts in a timely fashion and ensure these contacts are advised to isolate. A member of the Senior Leadership Team may need to contact you if your child tests positive.

## PE, Dance and changing rooms

Thank you for supporting our decision to ask students to come into school in PE kit on the days of their PE and Dance lessons over this half term. We have taken your feedback on board, and as the weather gets colder, we have reviewed this decision. We have now risk assessed changing on the school site, as in normal times, and have modified the PE changing spaces to ensure social distancing. After half term students will therefore be able to change into PE kit at school. We have worked to create extra changing areas, in order to reduce the numbers of students in each space. As a result, all students should come to school in their school uniform and bring their PE kit with them.

The only exception is for students who have a Dance Lesson. If students have Dance, they should continue to come into school in their Dance kit after half term on the days of their Dance lessons. If we can ensure we have enough changing spaces, we will then look to review this early in November.

## Inset Day, 2 November

The first day after half term, 2 November, is a staff training day. All students, other than those isolating, will return to school on Tuesday 3 November.

With best wishes

**Tom Beveridge**  
Headteacher



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