

Valence School

Covid Emergency Bulletin

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Learning Pathways

Dear Parents and Carers

Unfortunately it has been necessary to close a bubble for this week due to a student testing positive and today another bubble has had to be closed due to a staff member testing positive. This is a salutary reminder that we must continue to exercise the highest levels of care and maximum infection control measures and this will be even more important when we return in January. Next term we have just been told that there will be Covid testing in all secondary and special schools to ensure that people only have to isolate if they are infected. The details of how this will be undertaken are yet to be finalised.

I am repeating the key information sent to you by letter for the contact details for the days following due to the Government requirement that we have staff available to support the NHS track and trace process if the need arises:

There will be a 24/7 senior on-call rota as follows:

Thursday 17 December - Jo Chivers 07896905095

Friday 18 December - Roland Gooding 07896905605

Saturday 19 December - Roland Gooding

Sunday 20 December - Matt Strange 07894483673

Monday 21 December - Matt Strange

Tuesday 22 December - Lisa Kavanagh 07912124724

Wednesday 23 December - Lisa Kavanagh

Between Thursday 24 December and Friday 1 January please only make contact with a senior member of staff if the matter is absolutely urgent. You do not need to report any cases of Covid to us during that period but alert us over the weekend before students return to School on Tuesday 5 January. You can if you wish during the closed period alert us to any cases using the Covid-19 dedicated email address: covid19@valence.kent.sch.uk

The on-call rota for the three days before next term starts is:

Saturday 2 January - Roland Gooding 07896905605

Sunday 3 January - Matt Strange 07894483673

Monday 4 January - Lisa Kavanagh 07912124724

Please note that next term begins for Students on Tuesday 5 January.

If you have any questions in relation to our Covid arrangements please do not hesitate to contact us.

Keep safe, look after yourselves and have a happy Christmas!

Roland Gooding Principal