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Parents / Guardians of children attending Grange Academy

Date Enquiries to Direct line Friday 21st May 2021 Health Protection Team

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Dear Parent / Guardian,

NHS Ayrshire & Arran's Health Protection Team have been made aware of a confirmed case. Due to the nature of this case and the timings of this particular case there have been no close contacts within the school identified. Therefore, risk to pupils is very low. We appreciate this is a very worrying time. However, we would like to assure you that every measure is being taken to protect pupils, their families and staff.

We would like to remind people of the symptoms of Coronavirus (COVID-19):

- new cough;
- high temperature (37.8 or above);
- and / or loss of taste and smell.

Anyone who develops any of these symptoms should self-isolate immediately and contact NHS 24 on 111 or via their website https://www.nhsinform.scot/ to book a test. If your child develops COVID-19 symptoms and they are ill or you are worried about their health you can also call NHS 24 on 111 for medical help.

It is important to note that if you have been in close contact with a confirmed COVID-19 case then you will still need to self-isolate for 10 days, and we also recommend that you book a test, ideally within 3 to 5 days from your last contact with the confirmed case so that we can take action to stop any further spread. This test is voluntary and does not mean that you can stop self-isolation regardless of the result of any test.

Everyone in Ayrshire and Arran is reminded to remember the **FACTS** guidance:

 \mathbf{F} – Face coverings. These should be used in shops and on public transport (buses, trains and taxis)

A – Avoid crowded places.

C – Clean your hands frequently, using water & soap whenever possible.

T – Two metres – observe physical distancing.

S – Self-isolate and book a test if you are suffering from COVID-19 symptoms.

Yours sincerely

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