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Parents / Guardians of children attending
Grange Academy

Date Saturday 19th June 2021
Enquiries to Health Protection Team
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Dear Parent / Guardian

NHS Ayrshire & Arran's Health Protection Team is conducting a contact tracing exercise in relation to a confirmed case of Coronavirus (COVID-19) infection. The risk to children is very low.

If you do not receive a close contact letter or text with isolation dates, this means that your child has not been identified as a close contact and therefore is not at increased risk.

You can find more information on NHS Inform at: <https://www.nhsinform.scot/illnesses-and-conditions/infections-and-poisoning/coronavirus-covid-19>.

Any children identified as close contacts will be asked to self isolate for 10 days after their last contact with the positive case. They will then be sent a text by the NHS Ayrshire & Arran Test & Protect Team, which will detail their isolate dates.

Please call this number if you have any queries, 01292 559880 option 1 or the National Assistance Helpline on 0800 111 4000.

We may contact you by telephone if there are further cases identified within the school.

If your child or anyone in your family develops COVID19 symptoms, they should self-isolate immediately and contact NHS 24 on 111 or via www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test to book a test.

If your child develops COVID-19 symptoms and they are ill or you are worried about their health you should call NHS 24 on 111 for medical help.

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.

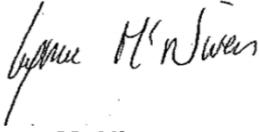
There may be other milder symptoms which can include sore throat, runny nose, headaches, vomiting and diarrhoea.

We appreciate this is a very worrying time, however, we would like to reassure you that every measure is being taken to protect children, their families and staff.

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

- 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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lynne McNiven', written in a cursive style.

Lynne McNiven
IDirector of Public Health