



SIR THOMAS RICH'S SCHOOL

Oakleaze, Gloucester

Self-isolation period reduced from 14 days to 10 days

Dear Parent

Self-isolation is essential to reducing the spread of coronavirus (COVID-19) as it breaks the chains of transmission. After reviewing the evidence, the Department for Health and Social Care is now confident that they can reduce the number of days that contacts self-isolate from 14 days to 10 days. This was set out in the [UK Chief Medical Officers' statement on the self-isolation period](#) on 11 December.

From today, the self-isolation period for close contacts of a positive case of coronavirus (COVID-19) has changed from 14 to 10 days. This change applies to all those who are currently self-isolating including those who commenced self-isolation before today. Therefore, we are now revising the advice previously given to your son and he is now able to return to normal activities on Friday 18 December, finishing his self-isolation on Thursday 17 December. This means that he can return to school as normal for the final morning this term.

We understand that this change may well be inconvenient to you, however, it might provide an opportunity for your child to catch-up with members of their form before the holidays commence. Whilst we expect students to attend school on Friday 18 December if they are well enough to do so, we will not take further action if you believe it is inappropriate for your son to return to school on that day.

If you have any concerns, please contact the Head of Key Stage in the first instance.

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Yours sincerely

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