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Dear Parents/Carers,

NHS COVID-19 APP

As you may be aware, today the Government has launched the new NHS COVID-19 app to help track and trace people who may have been exposed to infection.

The app is available to people aged 16 or over, but it can be downloaded by anyone and so some of our pupils may install the app to their phone (if they have one).

We do not allow the use of mobile phones in school and they must be handed to teachers at the start of the day.

Please be assured that we have robust systems in place to keep our pupils safe and well, and if there is a positive case confirmed within our school community, we will inform you immediately.

As phones from each class are collected and stored together at school, **all pupils should turn off their phone before handing it in** to avoid the possibility of the NHS COVID-19 app software misidentifying 'close contacts.'

If a pupil does receive a notification that they have been in close contact with a positive case, you should please inform school immediately.

You can find out more about the NHS COVID-19 app [here](#).

Please also find attached an important letter from NHS Test and Trace about testing for your children, should they begin to show symptoms of coronavirus.

Best wishes to you and your family – keep safe and well,



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