



Dear Parents and Carers

Please find below an important message from the Local Authority:

For St Joseph's RC High School Years 11/12/13

Over the past week there have been a concerning number of positive Covid cases in young people, specifically in the 16-19 year age group, in the Newport area.

Spread has been directly linked to social gatherings, sharing cars and meeting up, even outdoors, such as in parks.

Unfortunately, further spread has also occurred to other family members, friends and contacts of those affected, with cases across age groups.

We might not think we're hurting anyone when we bend the Covid rules but our actions can have far-reaching consequences. Please keep following the rules to keep yourselves, your loved ones and our community safe. Passing Covid on to more vulnerable friends and family can easily have awful outcomes.

If you have had any contact with a positive case, have any Covid symptoms or feel generally unwell, no matter how mild, please get a test as soon as possible and help stop the spread.

Testing sites are located across the city including a mobile testing unit at Whitehead Sports and Social Club until Monday 19 April.

To book, call 119 or visit www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test - please don't hesitate to get a test.

If you are contacted by a contact tracer, please be open with them – their aim is not to judge you or tell you off – but by being honest with them about the places you've been and people you've seen, they can make a big difference to how far cases spread.

Simply, the information you give could stop others falling ill and even save lives.