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INFORMING US THAT YOUR CHILD HAS TESTED POSITIVE OVER THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

Dear Parent/Carer,

Firstly, I would like to thank you all for the support that you have shown the school during one of the hardest terms we have experienced. Our children have shown incredible resilience and we are so proud of the way that they have handled the return to school.

With the Christmas holidays approaching, we wanted to make you aware that should your child test positive to COVID during the holidays, you will still need to inform school. We are still required to inform the Department for Education and there may be further actions for the school depending on the timings of the onset of symptoms.

As our school office will be closed, in the event of your child testing positive during the holidays, you will need to message me via Class Dojo.

In the event that you are not able to access Class Dojo, we have also made our emergency school mobile available:

Telephone: 07486 516471

Miss Gilsenan will be looking after the emergency phone from Saturday, 19th December until Thursday, 24th December between 4pm and 5pm. **Please only use this number to inform us that your child has tested positive.**

Should an individual who has been in school within 48 hours of developing symptoms of COVID-19 receive a positive test result, the school will need to communicate to all close contacts that they must self-isolate for the mandatory 10 days.

It is very important that schools continue to play their part in reducing the transmission of COVID-19 and therefore we are obliged to make contact with any close contacts of a positive case.

If you or your child is identified as a close contact, the school will contact you by text to confirm this and a letter will be sent to confirm what you need to do and any actions you must take via Class Dojo.

We ask that all families remain vigilant over the Christmas holidays to ensure that all pupils return safe and well in January 2021. As I'm sure you are already aware, there is a significant amount of guidance online and you can access key information using the following links:

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- <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>
- <https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/public-health-england>
- <https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>
- <https://www.derby.gov.uk/coronavirus-covid19/>
- <https://www.derbyshire.gov.uk/social-health/health-and-wellbeing/health-protection/disease-control/coronavirus/coronavirus-covid-19.aspx>

Finally, on behalf of the school governors and staff, I would like to wish you and your family a peaceful and joyous Christmas.

Kind regards,



Ms. K Leach Headteacher

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