

Thursday 10th December 2020



What to do if your child tests positive over the Christmas holidays

Dear Parent/Carer,

I am writing to inform you of the procedures we have been advised by the government to put in place over the festive period.

If your child tests positive for Covid in the first few days of the Christmas break, it is important that you let us know as we will need to assist the NHS with contact tracing. Up until **Wednesday 23rd December** if you need to inform us that your child has tested positive, I would like you to contact me directly via class dojo.

Please don't message the class teacher as I would like teachers to be able to switch off completely over the Christmas break. I will check dojo each day and will contact you to decide what action we need to take if we have a positive case. It may mean that I will need to contact anyone who was in close contact with the positive case prior to school closing.

Beyond Wednesday 23rd December you do not need to inform school of a confirmed positive case or contact with a positive case as we don't need to take any action in school; this will be done by NHS contact tracing. If your child needs to isolate and this means they will not return to school on Monday 4th January, you must contact the school office on the morning of the 4th January to inform them.

To clarify the points above:

- If your child tests positive between the 18th and 23rd December, please message me directly to inform me.
- If your child comes into contact with someone and needs to isolate between 18th and 23rd December, there is no need to inform us.
- If your child tests positive or comes into contact with someone who is positive after the 23rd December, you do not need to contact school unless it means they will still be isolating on Monday 4th January and in this instance you must phone the school office to inform them on 01274 882116.

Please note, we are remaining open until Friday 18th December 2020 as planned. Some schools are choosing to take this as a training day but we will not be doing so.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs A Grist