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Dear parents

'I can do all things through Christ, who strengthens me' Philippians 4:13

Following the updated guidance form the Government on Friday, I would just like to clarify arrangements again for after we break up on Friday. I must continue to stress the importance of this information and you reading it carefully. Please do email or telephone the office if you have any questions.

Revised guidance as follows:

If your child is symptomatic on 19 & 20th December, you should arrange for immediate testing here: <u>https://self-referral.test-for-coronavirus.service.gov.uk/antigen/condition</u>

Any child who has COVID-19 symptoms starting on 19th or 20th December should arrange for immediate testing and inform the school immediately using the following number: 07719 108185 if the result is positive. I will then contact all close contacts who will have to self-isolate for 10 days under the new guidance.

Any child who develops COVID-19 symptoms and tests positive on or after 00.01hrs on Monday 21st December will not need to inform the school but will be required to self-isolate for 10 days and their close contacts will be identified through the national Contact Tracing Service (CTS) and they will self-isolate for 10 days in line with the new guidance.

Any children who need to continue their self-isolation into the new term must inform the school of their absence in the usual way.

I must remind you that under no circumstances should any pupil return to school if they are exhibiting any COVID-19 symptoms (however minor) or are unwell in any other way. You should arrange for a test and inform the school.

I do hope that you received and read the letter sent by Mr Bowring yesterday with regards to Internet Safety. We must continue to work together to keep our children safe and help them to understand the dangers and risks of communicating on line.

Further information will be sent out tomorrow with regard to PE kit and my final letter of 2020 will be sent to you on Friday.

Apologies for all of the information this week; as always do contact us for any clarification.

We are nearly there; stay strong everyone and keep smiling!

Yours in faith and partnership

Mrs Louise Bury Headteacher,













