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Dear Parents/Carers

END OF TERM/COVID ARRANGEMENTS

As some of you may be aware some schools have made the decision to close a day early on Thursday 17th December. We as a school have decided not to do this and will close as planned on Friday 18th December.

As of yesterday, any track and trace that we have to carry out will impact upon the Christmas of the people required to isolate. Please do all that you can to prevent infection of people in our school at this time and do not risk sending pupils to school if they are unwell or displaying any symptoms of Covid.

Yesterday, the Government updated its guidance for schools regarding the end of term and the role of schools in supporting the Covid-19 track and trace process.

The government has asked that schools ensure staff, parents and carers are aware of the following information and relevant arrangements regarding positive cases in the holidays:-

- Where a pupil or staff member tests positive for coronavirus (COVID-19), having developed symptoms more than 48 hours since being in school, the school should NOT be contacted. Parents and carers should follow contact tracing instructions provided by NHS Test and Trace.
- For the first 6 days after teaching ends, if a pupil or staff member tests positive for coronavirus (COVID-19), having developed symptoms within 48 hours of being in school, the school is asked to assist in identifying close contacts and advising self-isolation, as the individual may have been infectious while in school

To notify us of a positive Covid-19 result, please e-mail office@hallcroft.notts.sch.uk This account will be monitored during the school day from 18th to 24th December. If you are required to self-isolate as a close contact, you will be notified via the school texting service:

When you e-mail we need to know:-

Full name of child

Date of Birth

Date of Positive Test

Date symptoms started

Date for end of self-isolation

Where pupils are required to self-isolate due to contact with a positive case after Thursday 24th December, you do not need to inform us about their absence until the first day of the new term.

We would like to thank you for your understanding and ongoing support, and if you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact head@hallcroft.notts.sch.uk before the end of term.

Yours sincerely

Jo Cook

Head Teacher