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Dear Parents / Carers

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We have been informed by the DfE that schools are expected to continue to assist with contact tracing for 6 days after the final day of teaching. This means that you could be contacted by school via text/email any time from the end of term up to and including 24th December, to inform you that your child needs to self-isolate in the event of a confirmed positive case.

In order to assist with this, and to continue to keep our community safe, we are setting up a confirmed COVID-19 text system and are asking all families to be proactive and follow the guidelines below:

If your **child** tests **positive** for coronavirus and developed symptoms **within 48 hours of being in school**, please text the COVID-19 Confirmed Positive Cases mobile: **07707 177 389**

We require the following details in the text:

- Name of Child
- Class
- Date of positive test
- Date that child developed the first symptoms (or state that the child was asymptomatic)

The mobile number is to only be used for **text** purposes to report a **confirmed** positive case; it is not for advice. The mobile will be checked at limited points each day up to and including 24th December.

If your **child** tests **positive** for coronavirus (COVID-19) and developed symptoms **more than 48 hours after being in school**, you do not need to contact the school. You should follow contact tracing instructions provided by NHS Test & Trace.

If your child tests positive for coronavirus **after** 24th December, you do not need to contact the school until the first day of the new term, using the usual email/telephone system.

Obviously, we want to ensure that everyone has a happy and safe Christmas but need to continue to follow guidance. I thank you in advance for your understanding and support in keeping everyone safe.

Best wishes

Ellie Ballinger

Headteacher