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*'Happy are those who hear the word of
God and keep it' Luke 11:28*

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Coronavirus – Reporting of Symptoms over the Christmas Holidays

Dear Parent/ Carer,

As you will be aware we have been advised by the Department for Education (DFE) to close school a day early meaning the last day in school for pupils will be Thursday 17th December. Friday 18th of December will be an INSET day. This is to enable school to engage effectively in Contact Tracing.

In order to support you to inform school effectively and quickly the symptoms of Coronavirus are shared below:

- **a high temperature** – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- **a new, continuous cough** – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- **a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste** – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

***** IF YOU, YOUR CHILD OR ANY MEMBER OF YOUR HOUSEHOLD DEVELOP ANY SYMPTOMS THAT PERSON MUST GET A TEST IMMEDIATELY AND ISOLATE AT HOME UNTIL THEY RECEIVE THE RESULTS*****

As school will be required to engage with Contact tracing in the Christmas holidays we have a dedicated Mobile number **07375777769**. This number is solely for families to notify that their CHILD/ CHILDREN are symptomatic and subsequently to **share the result**. Families must call and not text this number. This is NOT to be used for any other purpose. Please phone as **SOON AS YOUR CHILD DEVELOPES SYMPTOMS** rather than waiting for the result.

If we do receive notification that a child or staff member has tested positive within the relevant window that would require pupils in that 'Bubble' to self isolate we will contact our families via our school text messaging system and we will put the appropriate information letters on our school website on the home page.

Please see the grid below which clearly explains the steps to take if your child develops symptoms.

Date		Action if you CHILD develops Symptoms
Thursday 17 th December	Last day in school	Child develops symptoms Book and take a test and isolate at home PHONE SCHOOL on 0737577769 Even before you have a test result
Friday 18 th December	School CLOSED	Child develops symptoms Book and take a test and isolate at home PHONE SCHOOL on 0737577769 Even before you have a test result
Saturday 19 th of December	School CLOSED	Child develops symptoms Book and take a test and isolate at home PHONE SCHOOL on 0737577769 Even before you have a test result
Sunday 20 th December Monday 21 st December Tuesday 22 nd December Wednesday 23 rd December	School CLOSED	Child develops symptoms Book and take a test and isolate at home DO NOT contact school – Parents and careers should follow contact tracing instructions provided by NHS Test and Trace

Once again, thank you for your continued support. We do hope that we will not have any additional cases and that everyone remains safe and well to enjoy a wonderful family Christmas.

Kind Regards

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Head Teacher