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Dear Parent/Carer,

Yesterday afternoon, the DFE made an announcement that they would like all schools to make Thursday 17 December the last day in school for students. This is so there can be six days between last contact with children and staff in school and Christmas Eve. It will allow families to travel and meet with confidence in the knowledge that children's symptoms usually show (if they do show) within 6 days of infection.

Following careful consideration, we have decided to follow government advice and make **Thursday 17 December the last day for children and staff to be in school**, knowing that this gives families the best chance of being able to see each other safely over the Christmas period.

It is vitally important that if your son/daughter is in receipt of a positive test result, up until the 23.12.20, that you contact school immediately, so that we can then contact any other children who need to self-isolate. We will be writing to you next week, with the number and email address to contact in this event.

Can I also take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support, during these difficult times.

Kind regards

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