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## **Arrangements for reporting COVID-19 during the Christmas period**

Dear parents and carers

You will have seen my message on this week's bulletin regarding Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December and the decision **not** to close school to the children on this day.

I am now putting arrangements into place, should a member of our school community test positive for COVID-19 after Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December. Please read the details below carefully and follow the guidance here so that we can continue to help to reduce the spread of this virus.

It is very important that we have the correct contact details and that you regularly monitor our social media feeds for the 6 days after the 18<sup>th</sup> December. The government anticipates that after six days (after Christmas Eve) we will not need to contact you regarding self-isolation as anyone who has had direct contact with those that have tested positive will have been traced before then.

During the Christmas break, if your child has any of the following symptoms:

1. A high temperature
2. A new continuous cough
3. A loss of taste and/or smell

You must take them to be tested for Coronavirus. If they test positive and you can be certain that their symptoms started before 3.30pm on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> December, you **MUST** inform the school immediately via emailing us at [admin@tcat.uk.com](mailto:admin@tcat.uk.com)

The Department for Education and Public Health have stated that where a pupil develop symptoms after 48 hours of being in school (in this case after 3.30pm on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> December) they do not need to contact the school and can use the normal national track and trace system. Further information can be found at <https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>



From Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December, self-isolation for contacts of people with confirmed coronavirus will be shortened from 14 days to 10 days. This also means that anyone who has been self-isolating for 10 days or more will be able to end their quarantine on Monday.

Thank you for your continued support with this, let us all hope that with the onset of the vaccinations we see a more settled 2021.

Kind regards



Vicky Briggs  
Executive Headteacher