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Dear Parents,

As we have arrived at the end of the Autumn term and the Christmas holidays, I wanted to write and let you know the arrangements for next week, in case your child becomes unwell. It will still be important to make us aware of this, so we can follow the local authority protocol and support the track and trace process.

In the event of your child experiencing any of the symptoms of Covid-19, we would ask that you arrange to get your child tested as soon as possible.

The main symptoms of Covid-19 include:

- a high temperature this means your child may feel hot to touch on their chest or back (you do not need to take their temperature with a thermometer)
- a new, continuous cough this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if they usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- a loss or change to their sense of smell or taste this means they may tell you that they cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different.

To book a free Covid-19 test, please visit the NHS website

https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing-and-tracing/get-a-test-to-check-if-y ou-have-coronavirus/ or phone the NHS on 119. You can get a test at a testing site, or by asking for a home testing kit.

If your child receives a positive test result I would ask that you call the school attendance lines (496729 or 496730) and leave a message as soon as possible, so that the required process can be followed. Although it is during the holidays, I will ensure these answer machines are checked daily. We will <u>not</u> need to be notified of test results after Wednesday 23rd December.

If you do have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards,

Claire Grandidge Deputy Headteacher













