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17th December 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

Important Information - Christmas Holidays

I am writing with some important information regarding reporting positive cases during the Christmas Holidays.

Public Health England and The Department for Education have agreed that schools will continue to remain contactable for the first 6 days of the Christmas holiday, in order to assist with contact tracing should we be notified of a positive case of Covid-19 in our school community.

However, it is important to note that we only need to be notified of a positive test result for a pupil or staff member, if they were in school 48 hours before the symptoms started.

Should this happen, we will identify close contacts and advise self-isolation, as the individual may have been infectious whilst in school. Please note that we will not contact parents via the telephone but via email, so please can we ask all parents/carers to monitor their email accounts up to and including **Thursday 24th December**.

We have been fortunate so far in only having two positive cases within our school community. We really hope that we do not have to deliver any isolation news during the holidays as that would affect your family Christmas plans.

SUMMARY

You will only need to contact us if your child has a positive test result and they WERE IN SCHOOL 48 hours prior to symptoms starting.

Please email all 3 school contacts:

Headteacher head@colehamprimary.co.uk

Deputy Headteacher larkham.t@colehamprimary.co.uk

Business Manager businessmanager@colehamprimary.co.uk

Should this situation arise, we will email all close contacts as soon as possible and advise of isolation periods.

If your child is not able to return to school on Monday 4th January because they are self-isolating, please email myself, Mr Larkham and Miss Othen using the email addresses above.

I hope that you all keep safe and well during the holidays. The children have worked so hard this term and deserve a lovely break.

Kind regards,

Claire Jones

Claire Jones
Headteacher