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REPORTING CORONAVIRUS CASES DURING THE CHRISTMAS BREAK

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Please see the guidance below for reporting a positive case of Coronavirus to school during the Christmas break. Please remember, you need to tell school if your child has Covid-19. It is vital you tell us about positive tests so we can help prevent the spread of coronavirus in our community.

We will be on hand up to and including 11am on 24th December 2020 to notify any other pupils in your child's bubble and their families so they can self-isolate for ten days.

Returning to School – Monday 4th January 2021 If your child is self-isolating or has received a positive result to Coronavirus (COVID-19) during the Christmas holidays and is unable to return to school, please inform the school on Monday 4th January 2021 of the first day of symptoms or isolation.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Yours Sincerely,

Sarah Annette

Advice for Parents/Carers regarding symptoms of a child/staff member at school after school closes on the 18th December.

Please follow the advice below regarding positive cases after the last day of term:

- Parents/Carers and Rivington School Staff must contact school via the details below if symptoms of Covid-19 emerge within 48 hours of pupils/Rivington staff being in school.
- Parents must ONLY contact school on 07794743232 or at head@rivington.lancs.sch.uk. Messages should not be left on the School phone as this will not be checked on a daily basis. Messages left via the two ways listed will be checked between 9-11am each day.



- Messages will be checked by Mrs. Annette up until and including 24th December.
- Where a pupil or staff member tests positive for coronavirus (COVID-19), having developed symptoms more than 48 hours since being in school, the school should not be contacted. Parents and carers should follow contact tracing instructions provided by NHS Test and Trace.
- For the first 6 days after teaching ends, if a pupil or staff member tests positive for coronavirus (COVID-19), having developed symptoms within 48 hours of being in school, the school will, via the contacts above, assist in identifying close contacts and advising self-isolation, as the pupil/staff member may have been infectious whilst in school.
- Mrs. Annette will not remain on-call or conduct any contact tracing more than 6 days after the final day of teaching.
- Rivington's last teaching day is on Friday 18th December, there will be no pupil contact tracing asks through school beyond Thursday 24th December.
- Where pupils are required to self-isolate due to contact with a positive case after the first 6 days following the end of term, school does not need to be informed about their absence until the first day of the new term.