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Dear Parent/Carer

### **COVID Update – Christmas Holidays**

As we enter the last week of term, I would like to provide you with information about procedures for this week and over the Christmas holidays in regard to COVID.

We have all worked together through this term to keep the community safe, I want to thank everyone for this. I hope that children, parents and staff can all have the lovely Christmas break that they most definitely deserve and none of us end up having to isolate. This means that we all need to maintain social distancing and follow the Government guidance in the weeks up to Christmas. Please be extra careful in the remaining days of this term, so that we do not have to be in the position of having to inform families they need to self-isolate over the Christmas holiday.

The Department for Education announced this week that schools could take Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December as an additional Inset day. As all schools across Windsor Academy Trust have already taken an additional Inset day, and planned for the year ahead, our arrangements for the last day of term will stay the same. **School will still close for all children at 1:45pm on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December** and re-open on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2021.

Please also be aware of the following information:

- Parents and carers only need to inform school if a pupil tests positive if symptoms occur within 48 hours of the confirmed case being on site. School will need to help identify close contacts and advise them to self-isolate. Please contact school by emailing [lbridgwood@goldsmith.windsoracademytrust.org.uk](mailto:lbridgwood@goldsmith.windsoracademytrust.org.uk) if this happens.
- Where a pupil tests positive for coronavirus (COVID-19), having developed symptoms more than 48 hours since being on site, you **do not** need to contact



school. Students should follow contact tracing instructions provided by NHS Test and Trace. This means that pupils who develop symptoms from Monday 21<sup>st</sup> December **do not** need to contact school.

- For the first 6 days after teaching ends, if a pupil tests positive for coronavirus (COVID-19), having developed symptoms within 48 hours of being in school, school will assist in identifying close contacts and advising self-isolation, as the individual may have been infectious whilst in school.

Thank you for your continued support. If you have any queries, please contact the school office.

Yours sincerely

Mrs L Bridgwood  
Headteacher

