

Testing Positive Up to 6 Days after School Closed

15th December 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

Last week, the DFE contacted all schools requesting that for **up to 6 days** after the end of term, all schools have a system in place for notifying parents of positive cases (where their child has been identified as being a close contact).

If between **Tuesday 15th December and Sunday 20th December** your child tests positive for COVID-19 having developed symptoms within 48 hours of last being in school, please contact the school on info@chat-edu.org.uk.

The guidance states "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 is asked to assist in identifying close contacts and advising self-isolation, as the individual may have been infectious whilst in school."

This means that between Tuesday 15th December and Sunday 20th December you may be contacted by school and your child may be told to isolate for 10 days due to being identified as having close contact of a positive COVID case. [Please see the NHS guidance here for what to do if you are advised to isolate after being in contact with a positive case](#)

We will then text all parents of that child's class, notifying them of a positive case within their bubble and advising them to isolate for 10 days.

Many of you may be planning on travelling over Christmas to visit relatives. It is essential that you check your texts daily and if notified of a positive case follow the NHS guidance on isolating.

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact the school office on the numbers at the start of the letter.

Kind Regards,



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