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Dear Parents and Carers,

Track and Trace over the Christmas Holiday

Schools in Hertfordshire have been asked to continue supporting 'Track and Trace' procedures over the Christmas Holidays to ensure that Public Health England and the NHS can identify possible transmission lines and reduce infection where possible.

If your child has had a Covid test with a **positive** result, please inform us via admin@greatgaddesden.herts.sch.uk so that we can co-ordinate information and inform any children or families if needed.

Please use COVID RESULT as the title of this email and include the following information:-

1. Name(s) of child who has tested positive
2. Contact phone number and email address
3. Date of onset of symptoms, (if any)
4. Description of symptoms
5. Date of positive test
6. When the pupil was last in school
7. Year group
8. Any specific issues or concerns

We will pass this information on to Public Health England and will send out further instructions on isolation, testing, etc to any families affected.

Remember as soon as your child or any member of your household develops symptoms, they must start self-isolating immediately and book a test regardless of it being Christmas.

Self-isolating is one of the most important things we can all do to help stop the spread of the virus and protect our loved ones and the vulnerable. You can read the County self-isolating guide at: www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/selfisolatingguide

Main symptoms of coronavirus are:

- a high temperature
- a new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot, for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours



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- a loss or change to sense of smell or taste – this means they cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

If you're not sure whether symptoms suggest that they have COVID-19 or an everyday cough or cold, you can consult this online NHS symptom checker: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/symptoms/>

If you or your family are affected by COVID-19 and need support locally with things like shopping, getting medication or financial advice, visit: www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/coronavirus

With many thanks for your continued support, which has been amazing throughout this challenging term.

Kind regards,

Mrs S.M.Wickens

Headteacher



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