

Whitstable Junior School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We have been asked as a school to be on call for NHS test and trace up to the 24th December. Below is the advice we have been asked to share with you;

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

After we finish on 18th December, there is the potential that a child or member of staff might become unwell with symptoms of COVID19 in the days following the end of term. It is really important that should this arise you book a test.

If the result of the test comes back as positive then we ask that you complete a **Pupil Notification Form of a Positive Case.** Here is the link to the form.

<u>Positive Case Pupil Notification Form WJS</u> The notification forms will be checked once a day before midday up to and including 24th December.

We will then be able to contact anyone in your child's class bubble and advise them to selfisolate.

Should your child have a positive test after the 24th December we do not need to be informed about their test result. Please contact school on the first day of term as you would under normal circumstances to report your child's absence.

Please keep this letter handy should you need to refer to it over the Christmas holiday. It will also be added to our website. I very much hope that no-one has to use this and you all have a lovely Christmas break

Warm regards, Annie Knoupe Headteacher

