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'Living in the LIGHT of Christ'
'I am the Light' John 8:12



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URGENT UPDATE

Class 1 (EYFS) & Class 2 Only

Dear Parent/ Carer,

I am writing to inform you that on Friday 10th December, a member of our staff tested positive for COVID19. Ordinarily, children are not required to isolate if they come into contact with a positive case of COVID19, unless they are positive themselves.

However, this afternoon, I have been informed that the member of staff has been infected by the Omicron variant, and this has been confirmed by the Track and Trace team.

Government guidance states that anyone who has come into contact with a positive case of the Omicron variant must self-isolate for 10 days and book a PCR test. This affects all children in Class 1 (EYFS) and Class 2. You may have already received a message from the Track and Trace team this afternoon. Please ensure that you follow the advice they provide you and book a test for your child. I will be taking further advice from Public Health England and I will update you with more information as soon as I get it. I can assure you that we have been following all of the government guidance to keep our school community safe, and we have had very few cases of COVID19 within our school community throughout the autumn term.

We are very sorry about this, it is not what we wanted in the last week before Christmas, but we must follow the government guidance to help protect our community from this virus.

Class teachers will provide remote education for the last four days of the term to ensure your children continue to access education. Your child's teacher will be in touch with more information about how your child will access this. Class 3 and Class 4 children will attend school as normal as they have not been in close contact with this member of staff.

We are very sorry for the inconvenience this news may cause you and your family and we will continue to support you in any way that we can.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Rooney

Headteacher