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Dear Parents and Carers,

Today we find ourselves at the end of a very busy and incredibly challenging term, but I am so pleased that we have been able to survive the term without having to close any of our bubbles. I would like to thank everyone connected with the school – the children, the staff and you as parents for all of the adaptations that you have made to keep everyone safe.

Although the school closes today, we are required to continue to work with Public Health England to report any positive COVID-19 test results and ensure that anyone who has been in contact with someone who has tested positive self isolates for the required period of 10 days in order to avoid spreading the infection.

For this reason, we ask that if your child develops symptoms between the end of school on **17th December** and **4pm on Saturday 19th December** and they then have confirmation of a positive test result on or at anytime before 23rd December, that you inform us immediately by e-mail using this e-mail address: office.hawthorn@gmail.com

Please note that if your child develops symptoms after Saturday 19th December you do not need to inform the school, as there will have been no risk of them spreading the virus to other members of our school community.

If the school receives a notification of a positive case, all close contacts will be informed and you will be advised of the required actions. Please be aware that this message will be in the form of an email or text message to you.

If you have any confirmed cases of COVID 19 over the holiday period which may have an impact on the school community, please contact the school on the morning of 4th January in order to update us. If you are unsure whether it is safe for your child to attend school, please check with us first.

We know that things will continue to be difficult in the new year, but hopefully with the arrival of a vaccine and increased testing capabilities, we will be able to continue to support one another through the next stages of the COVID19 pandemic.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a happy and healthy holiday period.

Yours sincerely,

Julie Clubley
Headteacher

