

10th December 2020

Dear parents/guardians,

I am writing to let you know how the DFE has asked us to operate over the next few weeks in regard to Covid-19 and any positive cases.

We will not be closing the school early and so the children will finish on Friday 18th December as planned and Ladybird class will be open until Thursday 24th December.

As we are open for this period of time we have been asked by the DFE to be on call in case any of the children test positive for coronavirus. For children who finish on Friday 18th we could potentially contact families up until Thursday 24th December to ask everyone to isolate. For the children attending until 24th Dec this could be up until 30th December.

“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.” DFE guidance Dec 2020

We will need families to let us know if their child becomes symptomatic and the result of any test via our covid email address: covid@sccn.rbksch.org

Please include the following information:

- Child's full name
- Which session they attend
- Date of their symptoms
- Date of test
- Date of result (you can include a screen shot of this)
- Date last attended school

If a positive case is reported I will then contact all families concerned by email, and this will mean your child would have to isolate for 14 days. We are aware some families may well be travelling and visiting family at Christmas and so we ask you to please check emails regularly so that we can limit the spread if we have a case in school between Friday 11th December and 24th December.

With this in mind we urge families to be extra vigilant about illness and please **DO NOT** send your child to school with any of the 3 symptoms of Coronavirus:

- A temperature above 37.8
- A new or continuous cough
- Change or loss of taste and smell

We really hope we can all have an isolation free Christmas, and ask for your cooperation in this matter.

Yours Sincerely,



Esther White