

11th December 2020

Dear parent / carer

With the high rates of COVID-19 in North Tyneside currently, we are asking parents to let the school know if their child tests positive for COVID-19 during the Christmas break.

If your child receives a positive COVID-19 test after Friday 18th December please contact the school immediately on info@kingedward.org and provide the following information:

- Name of child
- Class/year group
- Date of the COVID-19 test
- Does the child have symptoms?
- What date did the symptoms start?
- What date did the child last attend school?

It is very important that you provide this information so that the school can identify any close contacts that your son or daughter may have had in school during their infectious period. The school will then follow up close contacts and request that they isolate for the appropriate period to prevent further transmission of COVID-19.

Please note that you should also report any close contacts that your child has have outside the school setting through NHS Test and Trace.

You should also notify school if anyone in your household or support bubble receives a positive COVID-19 test.

School will advise you of the date your child can return to school after the Christmas break in the event of a positive COVID-19 test in the household.

Thank you for your help in this matter

Yours sincerely

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