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Dear Parents

Covid-19 Reporting Arrangements After the End of Term.

The Department for Education has asked schools to make parents and carers aware of reporting arrangements for any positive Covid-19 cases after the end of term on Friday 18th December.

I will try to summarise this as follows:

- Should your child become symptomatic during Friday 18th, Saturday 19th or Sunday 20th December and then receive a positive test result, parents will need to inform school by email to head@greatorton.cumbria.sch.uk which will be checked during Saturday 19th and Sunday 20th.
- After Sunday 20th December, parents do not need to notify school directly, as this will be communicated to us via the Cumbria Public Health team.
- For the first 6 days after teaching ends (for Great Orton, up to 24th December) if a pupil or staff member tests positive for coronavirus, having developed symptoms within 48 hours of being in school, the school will be asked by Cumbria Public Health to assist in identifying close contacts and advising self-isolation, as the individual may have been infectious whilst in school. This would be done via text and email.
- Where a pupil or staff member tests positive for coronavirus, having developed symptoms more than 48 hours since being in school, parents and carers should follow contact tracing instructions provided by NHS Test and Trace. There will be no action for school to take.

Before we start back on the 5th January:

- Any positive cases or pupils with symptoms at the end of the holiday period prior to starting back can be communicated to school by the usual means and will be picked up by our staff on Monday 4th January. If you have any queries regarding this letter, please do not hesitate to contact myself at school. I hope that I do not need to contact any class groups beyond the end of term, but we have been asked to make you aware of the above processes, just in case.

Yours sincerely

Mrs C Bellas
Acting Headteacher

