

7th December 2020

Dear Parent / Carer,

Many thanks again for all your support through this term, which has certainly had it's share of excitement and worry.

As we approach the Christmas break, I know that we are all being mindful of our social activities and those we come into contact with, in order to continue to protect ourselves, our families and our wider school and home community.

It is vitally important that if your child has one of the following symptoms that you keep them off school until they have had a negative test:

- A high temperature (or very hot to touch)
- A new and persistent cough
- A loss of, or change in, normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

A delay to test results can have a big impact on those that your child may have come into contact with, including other students and staff. We therefore ask that you endeavour to use the drive-through test centres rather than postal services as far as you are able.

If your child develops symptoms after school finishes, over the weekend of the 19th and 20th December, it is essential that you **contact the school via our designated email testandtrace@granta.cambs.sch.uk and take your child for a test immediately.**

I will be checking and responding to this inbox frequently over the first week of the Christmas break, to ensure any test and trace is carried out promptly. Please forward test results to this address. Please do not use a postal test over this time unless absolutely necessary, as the delay could mean that results don't come back until Christmas Eve (which no-one wants!) We are asking all our staff to do the same.

If your child develops symptoms and has a test after the 21st December, please continue to inform us via the above email address, as we are required to report these figures once school reopens.

I hugely appreciate your efforts in helping to keep us all safe and able to enjoy the Christmas break.

Yours faithfully,

Ruchi Datta
Headteacher

