



KEYHAM BARTON CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

We continue to receive daily updates from the Department For Education regarding the management of COVID-19 in school.

On Tuesday, schools were advised to bring forward the end of term by a day in order to more easily support the Track and Trace process at the beginning of the school holiday, so as not to impinge on staff into Christmas Day. We will not be doing that.

The Keyham team will be working, as planned, up until the end of term when we break up at our normal staggered times on the afternoon of **Friday 18th December**. We would rather put our school families first than change the term dates for the year. Our staff have worked so hard to keep everyone safe. We will continue to work hard to support our school community and families and to keep everyone safe; we thank you for all the support you have given us with this.

Keyham Barton will remain open on the 18th December, but there will not be any After School Club.

To help us manage the situation into the holidays, please note the following advice from the DfE:

Where a pupil or staff member tests positive for coronavirus (COVID-19), having developed symptoms **more than 48 hours since being in school**, the school **should not be contacted**. Parents and carers should follow contact-tracing instructions provided by NHS Test and Trace. **E.g. Children developing symptoms after 3.15pm on Sunday 20th 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.

E.g. Please inform Miss Riley (rriley@keyhambarton.plymouth.sch.uk) if your child develops symptoms between 3.15pm on Friday 18th and Sunday 20th December and tests positive for COVID-19.

Take care and stay safe,

Rachael Riley

Headteacher