



## **DfE Information regarding COVID over the Christmas Holidays**

The DfE recommend all schools ensure staff, parents and carers are aware of the following information and relevant arrangements regarding positive cases in the holidays:

<b>Column 1 - Email school if the following happens:</b>		<b>Column 2 - <u>Do not</u> contact school if the following happens:</b>
<b>Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> December</b>  <b>COVID symptoms develop</b>		<b>Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> December</b>  <b>No symptoms</b>
<b>Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> December</b>  <b>COVID symptoms develop</b>  <b>Take COVID test – positive result</b>		<b>Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> December</b>  <b>No symptoms</b>
<b>Monday 21<sup>st</sup> December</b>  <b>Take COVID test – positive result</b>		<b>Monday 21<sup>st</sup> December</b>  <b>COVID symptoms develop</b>
<b>Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> December</b>  <b>Take COVID test – positive result</b>		<b>Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> December</b>  <b>COVID symptoms develop</b>
<b>Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> December</b>  <b>Take COVID test – positive result</b>		<b>Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> December</b>  <b>Take COVID test – positive result</b>
<b>Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> December</b>  <b>Take COVID test – positive result</b>		<b>Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> December</b>  <b>Take COVID test – positive result</b>
<b>EMAIL SCHOOL</b>  <a href="mailto:admin@dishforth.n-yorks.sch.uk">admin@dishforth.n-yorks.sch.uk</a>		<b>DO NOT EMAIL SCHOOL – work with NHS Track and Trace</b>

- 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.  
**(Column 1 of the table)**
- 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. **(Column 2 of the table)**

**From Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December, the self-isolation period for contacts has been reduced from 14 days to 10 days – see link below.**

[https://www.gov.uk/government/news/uk-chief-medical-officers-statement-on-the-self-isolation-period-11-december-2020?utm\\_campaign=1640491\\_CYPS%20COVID-19%20update%20-%2011%20December%202020&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_source=North%20Yorks%20County%20Council&dm\\_i=4BPJ,Z5T7,34L194,4E6K3,1](https://www.gov.uk/government/news/uk-chief-medical-officers-statement-on-the-self-isolation-period-11-december-2020?utm_campaign=1640491_CYPS%20COVID-19%20update%20-%2011%20December%202020&utm_medium=email&utm_source=North%20Yorks%20County%20Council&dm_i=4BPJ,Z5T7,34L194,4E6K3,1)