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R.C. Primary  
School**  
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Academy



**St Margaret  
Clitherow**  
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Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2020

Dear parents and carers,

I hope you are all keeping very well.

You may have seen in the news that schools are being allowed to close on Thursday the 17<sup>th</sup> of December. This is because headteachers are in charge of the 'track and trace' system for the 6 days after school closes for every holiday. The government has now said that schools can close on Thursday the 17<sup>th</sup> of December so that headteachers can start their Christmas break on Christmas Eve.

I have taken the decision to remain open on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December as I believe it is better for our particular school to stay open on that day. I do however, fully support all schools and headteachers in our Catholic Academy Trust and all schools and headteachers in York who may have taken the difficult decision to close on Thursday.

Each headteacher has to make decisions based on their own school and on local circumstances. Therefore, you do not need to be concerned if you hear of other schools closing on Thursday.

If your child receives a positive result from a COVID test for the 6 days when you finish for Christmas (from 19<sup>th</sup> December until 24<sup>th</sup> December) please text the following number to let me know:

07984 888420

Please say if it is a positive test result and also leave your child's name and class.

I will then email everyone who has been a contact to let you know if you need to self-isolate for 14 days. You only need to text this number if you have had a positive result.

Kind regards,

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