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Dear Parent

These last few days in school have seen a significant increase in positive Covid cases, as well as multiple PCR testing.

As we are in the lead up to the Christmas period, I am very conscious of further potential positive cases and the impact these would have on our school community over the festive period.

In our most recent Board of Governors meeting, we discussed the possibility of changes in the academic calendar, if the need arose. I feel it appropriate at this point to make adjustments which will help everyone.

There were plans for a staff development day on Tuesday 4th January. We are bringing this day forward to Monday 20th December, <u>meaning that pupils will finish the term on Friday 17th December, at 2:00pm.</u>

I appreciate that this is short notice for some of you, but I also hope you understand our reasons for making this change.

<u>Everyone, staff and pupils, would then start back on Tuesday 4th January 2022 (pupils were not to start back until Wednesday 5th January).</u>

We will look at allocating the additional half day (Tuesday 21st December) at some stage later in the school year, and give parents adequate notice of when this might be.

As this is likely to be my last communication with our school community before the Christmas break, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued support and wish you all a safe and happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

Kind regards,

B Guthrie Principal