



Dear Parents/Carers

You may have seen the recent Government announcement that schools will have an additional closure day on Friday 18th December. The Government has made this decision because staff may need to continue to work in the first week of the Christmas holidays to support track and trace.

I can confirm that the school will be closed to students on Friday 18th December so our last day will be Thursday 17th December. We apologise for the late notice however we have only just been informed by the Government. School will finish at 12:20 pm for years 7 and 11, 12:30 pm for years 8 and 10 and 12:40 pm for year 9 and sixth form. School buses will be leaving at 12:50 pm.

The Christmas lunch scheduled for Thursday 17th December will now take place on Wednesday 16th December.

If your child develops symptoms and tests positive for COVID-19 over the Christmas holidays, the Government have issued clear guidance about when you should inform the school and when this can be managed by NHS Test & Trace.

When you need to contact the school:

If your child has symptoms either on Friday 18th or Saturday 19th December and then tests positive for COVID-19 on or before Wednesday 23rd December, please contact the school on the email uc@hylands-tkat.org

When you make contact please be sure to tell us your child's name, year group, when they first developed symptoms and the date you received confirmation.

When you should *not* contact the school:

If your child develops symptoms after Saturday 19th December or more than 48 hours after they were last in school, please contact NHS Test & Trace.

If your child has a positive test result which returns after Wednesday 23rd December, please contact NHS Test & Trace.

We will be returning to school on Monday 4th January 2021 for all year groups.

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Thank you for all your support during this difficult year and I would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Yours faithfully

Andrew Parry
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