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Dear Parents/Carers

This week the DfE has released guidance advising schools and academies that where possible they could consider altering INSET or disaggregated days to prevent contact tracing that could extend to Thursday 24th December.

As a consequence of the advice provided, the decision has been made to change one of the arranged disaggregated days from Friday 23rd July, 2021 to Friday 18th December 2020. Please be advised that the Academy will now be closed to students on Friday 18th December. Additionally the identified disaggregated day that has been scheduled for Friday 23rd July will no longer be a disaggregated day and we therefore expect all students and staff to be present in the Academy on that day.

We will contact you next week with information on our procedures for how a positive case can be reported throughout the holiday period, including when a case needs to be reported to the Academy or through NHS test and trace.

We apologise for any inconvenience caused as a consequence of this unexpected modification, our priority continues to be the safety and welfare of students and staff.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully

Mr W Pratt

Principal