



Dear parent/carer

18/12/2020

I am writing following a very late announcement yesterday from the Department for Education and subsequent news reports, to inform you that there will be no change to your children's return to school after the Christmas break. All pupils will attend Saxon Hill as planned from **4th January 2021**.

The DfE have also issued guidance regarding schools delivering Lateral Flow Tests to pupils from January 2021. Information as yet is incomplete, and it is highly likely that more detail will be issued over the Christmas holiday. This may not involve children with additional needs, but we shall keep a close eye on developments over the next days and weeks in order to clarify. We shall keep you up to date via our texting service and our website.

This doesn't affect our original plan to roll out weekly Lateral Flow testing for all of our staff, which will take effect from January. This will help us to identify any asymptomatic staff who may be carrying the virus and to ensure that they isolate to help keep everyone safe.

As always, many thanks for your co-operation and support,

Yours sincerely,

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