



COLD FALL PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to 2021 and a very happy New Year to you all. I hope that this year we will all be able to look forward to moving on from the pandemic and focus on better times ahead. The new Oxford Astra-Zeneca vaccine is indeed most welcome news.

I am sorry to be writing to you at this late stage in the holidays, however the school has only just received notification from Haringey Council (please see the attached letter) that its schools should not open next week given the very high rates of transmission. We are awaiting the DFE's response to council leaders and the Head of Public Health as to why Haringey was not placed within its designated contingency areas when the data shows that the rates of transmission are amongst the highest in London. Coldfall in particular is in an area of very high transmission with 950.5 cases per 100,000 people, which is significantly above the Haringey average. This means the school will only be open for the children of keyworker parents from Monday 4th January until at least Monday 18th January, when the situation will be reviewed. Coldfall has had many positive test cases throughout the Christmas holidays and many classes have been in isolation as a result over this period. The need for extreme vigilance is therefore essential to protect the NHS, our families and our staff.

Remote Learning will be provided for all of the children who must remain at home during these first 2 weeks of term. Please ensure your child logs onto Google Classroom or Tapestry each morning by 9.00am where there will be a daily timetable of learning uploaded. There will be a few short videos explaining the learning tasks for the day and a zoom meeting once a

week. Please follow the link and re read the information for further guidance <https://www.coldfall.haringey.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/Google-Classroom-Parent-Guide-1.pdf> If you have any problems with accessing the Google classroom or Tapestry platforms please email us on: gcsupport@Coldfall.haringey.sch.uk.

Children eligible for Free school meals will be sent meal vouchers, as in previous times of closure.

Children of keyworker parents and carers will receive a separate letter outlining the provision for them in school and the safety requirements parents must adhere to.

I appreciate that this is a very challenging time for many of you and acknowledge the difficulties this may cause especially for working parents. We hope very much to be able to fully re-open the school as soon as possible when we are informed that it is safe to do so, and will keep you informed as to any developments.

Thank you for all of your support – one of the many significant strengths of Coldfall is our community spirit which has seen us through these challenging times, and will continue to do so during this term.

With very best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Evelyn Davies".

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