



# STUDFALL JUNIOR ACADEMY

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## Newsletter 12

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December

Dear Parents and Carers.

Here we are, finally at the last week!

Again thanks for all your support and so far we have managed together to keep Covid affecting lots of people at school. There is obviously still a risk that anyone of us could have to isolate over Christmas. From Monday isolation is reduced to 10 days.

To protect ourselves further, please keep doing what you have been doing:

- Socially distance
- Don't send any child into school who has any symptoms

Although shutting a day earlier won't stop any cases developing, it will be a day less with everyone together, that may help prevent some spreading. ❤️

### **If you have a positive test from Thursday when we close see what to do below (this is a positive test of a child or member of staff who has been in school)**

Below is an extract from the DfE guidance regarding contact tracing after school ends and a table showing the arrangements for our school:

- *Where a pupil or staff member tests positive for coronavirus (COVID-19), having **developed symptoms more than 48 hours since being in school, the school should not be contacted.** Parents and carers should follow contact tracing instructions provided by NHS Test and Trace.*
- *For the first 6 days after teaching ends, if a pupil or staff member tests positive for coronavirus (COVID-19), having developed symptoms within 48 hours of being in school, the school is asked to assist in identifying close contacts and advising self-isolation, as the individual may have been infectious whilst in school.*
- *School staff are not asked to remain on-call or conduct any contact tracing more than 6 days after the final day of teaching.*

(Department for Education  
Guidance, December 2020)

	Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Saturday 19 <sup>h</sup> December	Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> December – Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> January
Symptoms began on (or date of positive test)	Parents inform school immediately. School will notify individuals within respective bubble who may have come into contact on Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> and Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> December. Notified individuals will have to self-isolate for 10 days.	Parents Inform school immediately. School will notify individuals within respective bubble who may have come into contact on Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> December. Notified individuals will have to self-isolate for 10 days.	Parents should not inform school unless testing was delayed following onset of symptoms and case had <b>occurred in school.</b>
In the event of a confirmed case between the <b>close of school on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December and Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> December</b> please email <a href="mailto:lmcgeachie@studfalljunioracademy.org">lmcgeachie@studfalljunioracademy.org</a>			

If there is anything you are at all unsure about, please contact the school before the end of term for clarification.

**Now for the happier stuff!**

**Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> December** School council: ‘Christmas Fun Day’. The children can come in their Christmas jumpers. We will have raffles, guess the elf’s name, plus chocolate and pop for sale. Everything is either a £1 or 50p

We are doing our Carol service too about 2.30pm. The whole school will be out on the playground (socially distanced and in bubbles). Each year group will try and post photos and videos of this event on Dojo and the school Facebook.

**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December** Year 5 are having WW2 day

**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December** Christmas dinner day and now will also be party day. We have 344 dinners to get out!!!! It will be a challenge but if children want to come in, in their party clothes and bring in treats for themselves for party day, please do. (we won’t be sharing)

Thanks again for all your support, so many people have been so kind and generous to our families. This has included staff, Studfall parents, local businesses – who have all donated a significant amount of money to support Studfall. We have bought coats, general food, Christmas treats and gifts for lots of families. THANK-YOU! I have kept a bit of money by for January – this can be a really difficult month. I will send out a form in the first week back but don’t hesitate to contact me by email if you need anything sooner: [lmcgeachie@studfalljunioracademy.org](mailto:lmcgeachie@studfalljunioracademy.org)

Families who are entitled to Pupil Premium vouchers – will be being sent a Christmas holiday supermarket e voucher to the email addresses we hold for you. This covers the 2 weeks we are off. Please do apply for Pupil Premium if you think you are eligible – as we will be able to support families across all holidays now. Please contact us on [admin@studfalljunioracademy.org](mailto:admin@studfalljunioracademy.org) if you need any more information or help.

We will close at 3.20pm and 3.30pm depending on the year group.

We wish you all a happy and safe Christmas, we hope that 2021 brings us all more joy!

Kind regards



Louise McGeachie  
Principal



Kim Kirchin  
Principal

### **UPCOMING DATES**

Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec Day	Christmas Jumper Day and School Council Fun
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec Christmas	Christmas lunch/party day and close for
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> January	TRAINING DAY
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> January	School opens to children
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> Feb too	Book Week – there will be books on sale
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Dressing up as any book character



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