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10<sup>th</sup> December 2021

Dear Parents / Carers

Hope this letter greets you all safe and well at yet another challenging time with news of more COVID restrictions coming into force.

**How does that affect school?**

- Parents will be expected to wear face masks on the premises inside and outside unless exempt.
- Parents will unfortunately not be able to come into school for praise assemblies after Christmas whilst we find out more regarding the spread of the new variant.
- All times, entrances and exits will be the same for the start of term.
- If there are any school closures, we will let you know via Parenthub, Facebook and the website.
- If anybody has the omicron variant, all contacts regardless of vaccination status have to isolate immediately for 10 days.

It is clear that although we have had small numbers of Covid outbreaks in the school compared to others, we are still having asymptomatic people in the building spreading the virus. We must help each other by not sending any child in with any symptoms and do twice weekly lateral flow tests available at most chemists free of charge.

I really thought 18 months on I would not have to write about Covid anymore, but it appears to be never ending in all of our lives. Despite this, the attendance at Kates Hill has been good and parents have been supportive. We have continued to invite you into praise assemblies, workshops and I thank all of you for coming. Your children continue to be our greatest asset and do us proud working hard to narrow the gaps of not being in school whilst taking on more phonics, Kinetic letters and a brand new curriculum. I would also like to thank all the parents who have allowed their child to attend additional lessons or stay for clubs – it really does make a difference.

Kates Hill continues to thrive by having excellent teachers who want the best for your children, I'd like to take this opportunity on behalf of the community to say thanks to them.

As we approach the last week of term, some key dates:-

**Christmas Plans / Performances**

Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	2.30pm Reception
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	2.30pm Year 1
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	2.30pm Year 2
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	KS1 Praise 9.15am
	KS2 Praise 9.45am
	KS2 (Years 3, 4, 5 and 6) Carol Concert at 1.45pm

End of school day for children will be 2.15pm

ALL OF THE ABOVE APART FROM PRAISE WILL TAKE PLACE ON THE PLAYGROUND

As a thank you from myself and all the staff, we will be serving mince pies and hot chocolate throughout the carol concert and as we leave from school on Friday.

Have a fabulous Christmas break, stay safe, happy and well.

We look forward to seeing you on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2022.

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kathryn Harvey". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned to the right of the typed name.

**Kathryn Harvey**  
**Headteacher**