



15th December 2020

TO PARENTS OF CHILDREN IN CLASSES 5CT AND 6MA

Dear Parents

This is a letter I had hoped I would not have to write. This afternoon, eight members of staff at our school were contacted by the Test and Trace app and informed they must self isolate, all for different numbers of days ranging from seven to ten days.

During the afternoon I have spoken with the Head of Education at Southampton City Council, my Chair of Governors and my Headteacher colleagues from across the Redbridge & Lordshill Primary Federation.

As a result of the number of colleagues being instructed to self isolate, I have decided to close your child's class until after the Christmas holiday.

This is not a decision I have taken lightly, nor have I taken it without much soul searching and trying to find other staffing solutions.

I also realise that none of us would have chosen to end the term in this way, but in the circumstances I hope you realise that I have been left in a tricky predicament, which makes me remember we are still in the middle of a pandemic.

Please keep an eye on your emails.

Thank you very much for your help and support in our hour of need.

Very best wishes

Peter Howard
Headteacher