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SCHOOL CLOSURE: FRIDAY 18TH DECEMBER 2020

Following advice issued to schools by the government regarding contact tracing, we will now be closed on **Friday 18th December 2020**. If your child is eligible for benefits related free school meals and you would like to collect a packed lunch for this day, please let school know <u>by Monday 14th December</u>.

<u>The last day at school will now be Thursday 17th December.</u> Children will return to school on Monday 4th January 2021.

If your child tests positive for COVID-19, having developed symptoms within 48 hours of being in school, please email school (<u>whinneybanks@mcschools.org.uk</u>) as soon as possible. School has been asked to assist in identifying close contacts and to advise on self-isolation as your child may have been infectious whilst in school.

Thank you for keeping us so well informed of children at home due to symptoms or being required to isolate. Please can I ask that you continue to do this as soon as possible leading up to the end of term so we can continue to work together to keep our community safe.

If your child has any potential symptoms of Covid-19, or has been with someone who has tested positive, please keep them off school until they have been tested or completed their isolation period.

Please note: Christmas jumper day will now take place on Thursday 17th December.

Thank you and best wishes for the new year,

Mrs S Thorpe











