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To: All Parents/Carers

Dear Parents/Carers

Following my last letter to you, you may now have heard the various Government announcements regarding tiers of restrictions and mass testing in Secondary schools from January. If so, you will be aware that **South Gloucestershire has remained in Tier 3** whilst Bristol and North Somerset has been moved from Tier 3 to Tier 2 with effect from one minute past midnight on Saturday morning (19 December). There are no implications in this respect for schools as **all schools remain open to all children in all tiers**, as has been the case since the start of September.

In Secondary schools there will be a focus for mass rapid testing for staff and pupils from the start of next term, with primary schools following later in the term. The first day of term, Monday 4 January has already been planned as an in-service training day for staff, which means that the school will not be open for students. In line with Government guidance, we will then operate a staggered return as follows:

- Tuesday 5 January - Friday 8 January:
 - Students in Reception → Year 5 will all attend school following the usual timings.
 - Students in exam year groups (Year 11), vulnerable children and children of critical workers will all attend school;
 - Students in Year groups 7, 8, 9 and 10 will continue to complete their schoolwork at home whilst following a similar programme of study through Teams/Insight to what we have delivered this week.
- Monday 11 January – Friday 12 February:
 - All students in all year groups attend school for face-to-face lessons.

You will recognise that schools have only been made aware of this today, which means we will update you with on Monday 4 January with any additional information.

I hope that you and your family are able to have a safe, joy filled holiday when it arrives for you.

Kind regards,



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