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Dear Parents/Carers

As I hope you are all aware our last day in school this week is Thursday 1 April. School will be closed for 2 weeks with all pupils returning on **Monday 19 April 2021**.

It has been lovely to have all the children back in school for the past 4 weeks and we all now deserve a well-earned break. We have been asked to remind you all that a large number of the Covid-19 lockdown restrictions are still in place. We can only meet in groups of up to 6 or two households outdoors at the moment and there will be no further change to this until 17 May 2021 at the very earliest. Social distancing and regular hand washing are still very important preventative measures against the virus. Nottingham still remains stubbornly high for coronavirus infection.

Please can we ask that you adhere to the regulations at all times and especially when dropping off and picking up your child/ren from school. Please do not gather, even in the allowed group number, by the school gates or where you are blocking the pavements near school.

As in previous holiday periods I am also asking you to work with us over the first few days of the Easter break to continue the fight against the virus. **It is vital that school is informed of any child that tests positive for Covid-19 if the symptoms started within 48 hours of when they were last in school.** This is so that we can support NHS Test and Trace with contact tracing.

Please take careful note of the following points:

- .1 If your child develops any symptoms between Thursday 1 and Saturday 3 April and then tests positive for Covid-19 you **must** inform school of this (see below for contact details).
- .2 School **does not** need to be informed about children with symptoms who receive a negative test result.
- .3 School **does not** need to be informed of other family members who test positive but you must follow contact tracing instructions provided by NHS Test and Trace.
- .4 If school is informed that there has been a positive case of Covid-19 within 48 hours of the last day of term then we will contact Public Health England for advice and may need to inform other contacts of that child or member of staff and advise self-isolation, as the individual may have been infectious whilst in school.

If your child tests positive as per point 1 above please can you contact the School Office by e-mail on admin@gladehill.nottingham.sch.uk or leave a message on 0115 9150298. **Staff will be monitoring these messages from Friday 2 – Wednesday 7 April to allow time for test results to be received.** These messages will not be monitored after this date until we return to school on 19 April 2021. Please inform the school office of any absence at the start of term in the usual way.

If you have any general queries about symptoms or your child's health please contact the NHS helplines on 111 or 119 or visit the government website <https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>.

We really hope that all children will stay safe and there will be no requirement to take the above action but we do ask for your cooperation if your child does test positive.

Please may I take this opportunity to thank you for your support and to wish you a very Happy Easter.

Yours sincerely

Ms Sheppard
Head Teacher