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Dear Parents / Carers

It will have come to your attention that yesterday the Department for Education revised the reopening plans for schools and the roll out of rapid testing for schools and colleges returning after the winter break.

As a result, ALL year groups are being asked to work remotely from home for the first week of term (Monday 4th – Friday 8th January). Year 11 will return to school on Monday 11 January. Years 7, 8, 9 and 10 will return to school on Monday 18th January. All lessons, for all secondary year groups, will be available through our remote learning platform, Teams. If you have any problems accessing this work please email tdolan@holytrinitybarnsley.org. Information and guidance on how to access Teams will also be available through our website.

The primary phase will return as planned on Monday 4th January.

The children of critical workers and our most vulnerable children will return to school on Monday 4th January.

All parents / carers who are critical workers and those who are parents / carers of our most vulnerable pupils who wish for their children to attend school on Monday 4th January should book a place through the link on the school website.

We are encouraging as many pupils as possible (in the secondary phase) to take the coronavirus test to enable us to keep our pupils and teachers safe from the virus, minimise the spread and keep our pupils in school learning. Please see the letter regarding testing in school for more information.

I am sorry for the inconvenience that the late changes will cause but we are responding as quickly as we can to the messages and instructions that continue to arrive from the DfE even at this late stage of the Christmas break.

Yours sincerely

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