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FAO: Parents and Carers of Children in CURIE Class – Year 3 (Mr King's Class)

Dear Parents and Carers,

As you will know, the guidance has changed over the weekend for isolation periods. This morning, you should have received a message via our messaging system to inform you, that regrettably we will not be reopening Curie Class Bubble this week.

This is for a number of reasons, including the fact that the class teacher themselves is unable to return to work this week, alongside the fact that there has been a direct and a further 2 indirect cases, linked to this bubble. The risks simply outweigh the gains. We have also discussed this with our Academy Trust in detail, who are in full support of our decision.

We would have genuinely loved nothing more than to have the children back together for the final few days and are sorry this is not possible.

The guidance issued to us this morning by the DfE states that Self Isolation for close contacts is now 10 days from the day after the individual tested positive. As such this will mean that your child's isolation (unless there have been cases within the household or symptoms etc) will end on Tuesday 15th December, so from Wednesday they will no longer be in isolation.

Mr King, whilst he remains well enough, will continue with the live lessons and online learning up to and including Friday of this week and please don't hesitate to contact the school should you need further advice and support.

Please remember, although your child is away from school, if they do show symptoms, they will still need a test and if this is positive, please still inform us at the school in the usual way.

Many thanks for your continued support at this time.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Kelly Scott Headteacher