



9th December 2020

Dear parents and carers,

Firstly, we would like to thank you for your ongoing support this year. 2020 has been a very challenging year for us all and your co-operation has really helped our schools to run as smoothly and safely as possible.

Schools received guidance from the Department of Education yesterday (08.12.20), which means that our Trust schools will now be closing on **Thursday 17th December at 3pm**. Friday 18th December will now be a staff INSET day. We appreciate this may present childcare challenges for some families, so we have tried to give you as much notice as possible. Schools will continue to work with contact tracing during the holiday period, to ensure the continued safety of all children and staff.

Once again, thank you for your understanding. Let's hope that once the vaccine is 'rolled out', 2021 is a much more straightforward year.

We would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very, merry Christmas and a happy, healthy New Year!

Please take care and stay safe.

Best wishes

Yvonne Brown and the Board of Trustees