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Dear Parents and Carers,

We reach the end of another week... The Assemblies have been lovely and thank you for your attendance. Just Y6 to go on Monday!

We finish school on Tuesday 21st December at 3.10pm and return on Thursday 6th January 2022. NO AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES NEXT WEEK. Party Day / Own Clothes on Tuesday. Reading Books will be collected in for the holidays.

CORONAVIRUS. As you are aware cases are rising everywhere. Please get your child tested if they are unwell and keep them at home until you have the result of the PCR test. It is a very difficult time for all of us and we need to look after each other.

We are going to send the children home with an exercise book (including links and passwords for Google Classroom etc) and a work pack. Just to reassure you I do not have any information that states we will not return on the 6th January but I did not think that there would be a closure last year either. I am just being prepared for every eventuality on this occasion. I really do hope that this is not the case and that the children will all return on Thursday 6th January.

PLEASE WEAR MASKS, KEEP YOUR DISTANCE and FOLLOW THE ONE WAY SYSTEM in school. Thank you.

Message from the Local Authority

The Government has provided the Local Authority funding for a Winter Household Support Fund. As well as assigning some of the funds to support Free School Meals (FSM) during the holidays, Manchester are also using it to give a one off grant payment to families who are in receipt of Council Tax Support.

- Those who are eligible for the grant payment, will receive a cheque in the post by 17 December.
- Families do not need to make a claim.
- Not all families who are entitled to FSM will receive this one off grant payment, as the criteria for Council Tax Support is different.
- More information about the Winter Household Support fund is online: <u>www.manchester.gov.uk/hsf</u>

With prayers for a lovely weekend,

Sarah Yates Head Teacher

