



Garlinge Primary School and Nursery

Thursday 10th December 2020

Final Day of Term

Dear Parents and Carers,

Over the past day or so, there has been much discussion in the media about moving the end of term forward by a day. Initially Public Health England had agreed that schools would be responsible for Track and Trace for positive Covid 19 cases for a period of 6 days at the end of the school year, until the 24th December. This was then realised and felt unreasonable, so schools were guided to allocate Friday 18th December as an INSET day. Having consulted widely with school leaders, our governors, the Local Authority and many other local Headteachers, we will be accepting this government guidance and term will finish on Thursday 17th December.

This is not a decision that has been taken lightly, but one I feel is right in this current climate and it will also allow staff to finish their 'on-call' period prior to Christmas Eve.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your families an enjoyable festive period and we look forward to seeing you on Monday 4th January 2021.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "J. Williams".

James Williams
Headteacher