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Dear Parents and Families

Firstly, we would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your support for our schools over this difficult period. We are hopeful that once the vaccine is available, we will start to get back to a world we once knew and will appreciate even more.

You may be aware from the news last week that a trust with primary schools in Bradford has taken the decision to close a week early to avoid children having to isolate over Christmas and be in the position of having to cancel plans to meet up with family.

We have had some queries from our Brontë families about what our trust is doing. Unless we get a directive from the Department for Education to close earlier, **Brontë Schools will remain open until Friday 18th December.**

Whilst we cannot guarantee that we will not have closures and isolations in the lead up to Christmas, we continue to ensure that we follow the latest guidance, along with our own risk assessments to avoid the spread of infection and bubble closures. Throughout this, we appreciate your hard work in following the local and national restrictions in order to support our efforts in keeping our communities safe.

Whilst Christmas in schools will not be the same as usual, the staff are working really hard to ensure it is as magical and special for the children in different ways; we are sure you will get lots of photographs from the classes!

Staff and leadership across the trust would like to take this early opportunity to wish you a Merry Christmas!

Best wishes

The Brontë Team