

## Travelling Abroad During Holidays

As we enter the Winter holiday, we wish to remind parents that we are advising against travelling abroad this winter. If you travel abroad, you are likely to have to self-isolate for two weeks when you return back, which will have a negative impact on your child(ren)'s education. We recommend that any travel plans be delayed until next year when travel restrictions will hopefully be lifted.



All pupils are expected back at school on **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2021**. Please remember that every day at school counts and all parents must ensure that their child(ren) do not miss any days from school.

## Track and Trace arrangements during the holidays.

### What to do if your child displays symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19)

If over the holiday period, your child becomes unwell with a new, continuous cough or a high temperature, you must get your child tested and notify the school of the results as soon as possible. It is also important that you let us know if and when your child started to show symptoms. Please email us at [info@olivehackney.staracademies.org](mailto:info@olivehackney.staracademies.org), stating your child's full name, class and any evidence or confirmation of a positive case. We can then contact any necessary parties and advise them of any necessary self-isolation requirements.

You should refer to the guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus (COVID-19) infection:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance>. This sets out that you must:

- self-isolate for at least 10 days
- arrange to have a test to see if your child and other family members have coronavirus (COVID-19)

## Festive Winter Gift Programme

We would like to thank families for the many donations we have received over the last week. Together, we have contributed towards ensuring more families and children have access to food and small gifts this winter.



## Message from Ms. Nou (Deputy Principal)

Assalamu alaikum (peace be with you)  
I pray that you are all well.

Many of you will be wondering why you have not seen Mr Mirza all this week. Unfortunately, he is unwell at the moment but he sends his thoughts and prayers to all of you. We wish him a speedy recovery and look forward to welcoming him back to school after the holidays.

At the end of this challenging term, I would like to let you know how immensely proud I am of all the children that attend Olive School, Hackney. They have made great progress in all areas and despite the difficulties we have experienced this year, they have been coming to school every day with a smile on their faces. I wish you all a safe and restful holiday and I am looking forward to seeing you all again in January 2021.

Due to Mr Mirza's absence, our virtual opening evening for Reception Class 2021 had to be cancelled this week. Please note that this will now take place during the first week back. More details of date and time to follow.

## Holiday Learning Projects

Your child will have been assigned a home learning project to complete over the holiday. This links in with their learning during the Spring term and ensures they have the necessary prior knowledge to engage well in the topic. Please work with your child to complete these projects and talk to them about the key learning points indicated by their class teacher. We look forward to welcoming the children back and hearing of their great learning experiences over the holiday.

