

## **Rakegate Primary School**

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Well, we have almost made it through the Autumn Term and the Christmas holiday is nearly upon us! Firstly, I write on behalf of our staff and governors to thank you all for your support and co-operation over the course of this term. Since I started teaching, this has probably been the most difficult term I have ever known and without your support we wouldn't have got through it the way we have. Sadly, Covid-19 is not going away at the moment and when we return in January, I think things still will be difficult but please be reassured by the fact that we will do everything we can, where possible, to ensure that we can keep school fully open and continue to give your children the education they deserve.

After school has closed to our children on the 17th December, we still need to support Public Health with any contact tracing. For this reason, it is important that anyone who develops Covid-19 symptoms from Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> December has a test as soon as possible. If the test comes back positive can you email school immediately at rakegate.primary@wolverhampton.gov.uk . School emails will be monitored until Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> December and won't be monitored again until Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2021.

After over 40 years of service at Rakegate Primary School, Mrs Haworth has made the decision to retire at the end of this term. I cannot begin to count how many children Mrs Haworth will have worked with over the years, and I know there are quite a few of you who she also taught!! I am sure you will join me in wishing Mrs Haworth a richly deserved long and happy retirement and say a huge thank you for everything she has done for the children and families at Rakegate. She will be greatly missed by us all.

Just a reminder that we break up on **Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December** at normal times. School will re-open to children on **Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January**, as Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January is an INSET day.

On behalf of all the staff at Rakegate, can I say thank you for all your cards and gifts. Please keep yourselves and your families safe. Have a lovely Christmas and all the best for 2021.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Horton Headteacher

