



Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2020

Dear Parents,

### **Covid-19 (Coronavirus) Update**

I am writing this evening to update you our school's current position with regards our response to Covid-19. Please keep in mind that this information is accurate at the point of publication and as the situation continues to develop globally and nationally, I will keep you updated as to the position of our school. As we know the situation is changing on a daily basis; I am closely monitoring the situation via the World Health Organisation (WHO) and Public Health England (PHE).

We want to keep things as 'normal' as possible whilst ensuring we are making a proportionate response to the current situation. The measures below are to protect our whole school community and the wider public:

- Upon entry to school all children, staff and visitors are expected to wash their hands.
- I ask that parents minimise visits to school. Ensure your child/children have all their belongings with them for the day, this includes packed lunches for those it applies to.
- Minimising parental visits to school also applies to communication. Please do not come to school to speak with staff, telephone or email instead. We continue to be happy to talk with parents, please keep in mind teachers will not be meeting face to face with parents at this time.
- Some events are cancelled: Tea, Toast and Toys, Friday Celebration Assembly, visiting speakers to Collective Worship, non-essential meetings with professionals.
- It is likely that Parents Evenings will be postponed or delivered electronically.

Currently clubs and peripatetic music lessons will continue. This may change as the week unfolds.

As always, I want everyone who is well to be in school. The symptoms differ to cold/flu. The most common symptoms of Coronavirus are recent onset of:

- New continuous cough and/or
- High temperature

For most people the symptoms will be mild. If these symptoms present, 7 days self-isolation is required. Full guidance can be found by following: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-people-with-confirmed-or-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection>

I will keep you updated of any updates or changes as they happen. Thank you for your support of our school and being understanding during this new and challenging time. If you do have any questions, please contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Jamie Pardon