



16th March, 2020

### **Coronavirus Update**

Dear Parents/Carers

As announced by the Prime Minister last Friday, there will NOT be a blanket closure of schools at the moment. This advice has not changed over the weekend.

"No education or children's social care setting should close in response to a suspected or confirmed COVID-19 case unless advised to do so by Public Health"

However, some very clear advice has been issued:

**If your child develops a new continuous cough and/or a high temperature they are to stay at home for SEVEN days.**

We have made the following decisions for implementation from Monday 16th March 2020:

- A thorough cleaning programme will continue to be prioritised
- We will prioritise hand-washing demonstrations and practice
- There will be increased adult supervision for children's hand-washing
- All visitors and peripatetic staff will be required to follow appropriate hand hygiene requirements upon entry to school
- Curriculum Open Evening and all clubs will be cancelled
- All school trips will be cancelled this side of the Easter holiday
- We will send children and staff home for seven days if they are showing symptoms
- We will use screening measures (thermometer) if we suspect high temperatures.

We are taking these measures to delay the spread of the virus and hope that parents support and understand why these are being implemented.

These actions may need to change in the light of any development and we will aim to keep you informed as and when they do.

We know there will be many more questions with regards to specifics such as, SATS, reimbursements for trips, potential school closures and home-schooling support and we will address these in due course. If you have any immediate queries, please feel free to speak to the staff on the door and we will do our best to address them.

Kind Regards,

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Headteacher

