

Update 16/03/2020 9:00pm

Good evening parents

I'm sure many of you will have heard the latest government information about the Coronavirus. If you follow the link below it will take you to the latest information via the BBC News website. Please be aware the information is only up to date as of tonight at 9pm and could change.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/explainers-51632801>

In summary the key message is:

Please don't send your child to school if they either have a fever or persistent cough. They should stay at home for 14 days. Anyone who lives with someone displaying coronavirus symptoms should also do this.

What it means for school

At this stage I can confirm that school **will** be open tomorrow at the usual times. Please be aware due to some possible staff reductions your child may not be taught by their usual class teacher.

At this moment I cannot confirm if any of the after school clubs are running tomorrow as they are organised by external providers. We will confirm this tomorrow.

What action you need to take

Do not make non-essential phone calls to school between the hours of 8.30 and 10 am.

If, by following the new government guidance your child will not be in school tomorrow as you are self-isolating, please phone school and let us know.

If you phone before 8.30 the answer machine will allow you to leave a message. To help us stay as efficient as possible and keep all children safe I would appreciate it if you kept the message brief:

1. Your name and relationship to your child
2. The name of your child
3. The name of your child's class
4. Tell us you are self-isolating

We will note that your child will not be in for 14 days and therefore will not be at school till after the Easter break. You do not need to phone every day to let us know this.

If your child is unwell for another reason, please let us know in the same way.

If you phoned today and told us your child was self-isolating, we have noted this and as above will not expect to see your child till after the Easter break.

If you phone after 8.30 you will get through to a member of staff, but please be aware the lines may be busy, an answer machine message would be best.

We will make updates to this page of the website whenever the situation changes, or we need to communicate further with you.

Please look after one another and know that we will be here to support you if we can.