

Dear parents and carers

Coronavirus Update 13-03-2020

As you may know from the news, schools in the UK are advised to stay open for the time being. We will continue to follow the advice from Public Health England and the local authority. We have had some questions from parents and we hope this letter will answer your concerns.

As a school:

- We will send home any children who develop a cough or fever at school. The NHS guidance says this is a temperature above 37.8°C. We have thermometers in school so we can check a child's temperature if we are concerned.
- We continue to remind children about good hygiene and the importance of washing hands regularly throughout the day. Children have been taught to wash their hands properly by their teachers.
- In assembly today we talked about Coronavirus and how we can take sensible precautions. Teachers will talk with their classes and answer any questions children may have
- We have spoken with our cleaning team to ensure extra precautions are taken
- We have suspended all reading buddies, community volunteers and University students from coming into school until further notice

As a parent/carer

- Please make sure you follow the NHS advice overleaf.
- Keep your child at home **for at least 7 days** if they have any symptoms. Please call school to tell us about any absence.
- Ensure we have your up-to-date contact details, including additional contact numbers
- Check messages and emails from school for updates
- Make sure your child has their own water bottle in school with their name on
- Remind your child about good hygiene and good hand washing

There is information on the website as well. We will continue to update you as necessary. Do speak to us with any further questions you may have.

Thank you

Daniel Webster, Deputy Head.



Information about Coronavirus.

Stay at home if you have coronavirus symptoms

Stay at home for 7 days if you have either:

- a high temperature
- a new, continuous cough

Do not go to a GP surgery, pharmacy or hospital. You do not need to contact 111 to tell them you are staying at home.

If you need to stay at home

Do

- try to keep at least 2 metres (3 steps) from other people in your home, particularly older people or those with long-term health conditions
- ask friends and family and delivery services to deliver things like food shopping and medicines – but avoid contact with them
- sleep alone if possible
- regularly wash your hands with soap and warm water for at least 20 seconds
- try to stay away from older people and those with long-term health conditions
- drink plenty of water and take everyday painkillers, such as paracetamol and ibuprofen, to help with your symptoms

Don't

- do not have visitors (ask people to leave deliveries outside)
- do not leave the house, for example to go for a walk, to school or public places

Urgent advice: Use the NHS 111 online coronavirus service if:

- you feel you cannot cope with your symptoms at home
- your condition gets worse
- your symptoms do not get better after 7 days