



CVA/DSS/007

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Dear Parents/Carers

Re: **Coronavirus Update**

Please find recent advice and guidance for your information relating to the coronavirus.

To support the delay of the spread of the virus, the Department of Health and Social care has asked anyone who shows certain symptoms to stay at home for 7 days, regardless of whether they have travelled to affected areas. This means people should stay at home and avoid all but essential contact with other for 7 days from the point of displaying mild symptoms, to slow the spread of infection.

The symptoms are:-

- A high temperature (37.8 degrees and above)
- A new, continuous cough

You do need to call NHS 111 to stay at home. If your symptoms worsen during your stay at home period or are no better after 7 days contact NHS111 online at 111.nhs.uk. If you have no internet access, you should call NHS 111, for medical emergency dial 999.

As a school we are taking the following action to ensure the safety of both pupils and staff. Firstly, from today we will be stopping unnecessary visits to the school. In the case of EHC meetings, these will be conducted by phone. Also, trips out will be reduced to a minimum, and their suitability reassessed as the week continues.

During this outbreak if you wish to self-isolate your child, this is a decision we as a school will support. Please be aware that if a child presents in school with any symptoms detailed in the Government guidance, the school will insist the child is self-isolated for 7 days at home. Equally, if staff present with any symptoms, they too will be sent home to self-isolate for 7 days.

Our staffing levels will be constantly reviewed to ensure the safe running of the school. If we feel that this cannot be achieved, partial or full closure will occur. Pupils class groups maybe collapsed, combined or alternative timetabled lessons produced in this instance.

We have and will share with you by email, and on the website the latest Government guidance.

Yours faithfully

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