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Covid-19 update: Wednesday 18th March 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

The latest advice from the government is that people who have the following symptoms, or live in a household with someone with them, have to self-isolate:

- A new persistent cough
- A high temperature (above 37.8 degrees)

The full stay at home guidance for households with these symptoms can be found here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection>

The advice means staffing levels may go down at the school as time goes on, particularly as vulnerable staff follow the guidance on social distancing.

The safety and welfare of the children and staff continues to be our first priority and we will carry on operating as normally as possible as the government is advising schools to do.

However, I wanted to let you know that every day we carry out a risk assessment with the first thought, 'Do we have enough staff to look after the children safely?'

At the moment we do and the school remains open, and we will be monitoring this on a daily basis.

We are setting up the system to provide work to children who are at home now, and in case the school closes, or partially closes, at a later date. Details for each year group are being sent home today.

I want to reassure families that to date, we have no confirmed cases of covid-19 (a positive test) and will continue to ensure children and staff are maintaining good personal hygiene and that the school is cleaned to a high standard.

Thank you for your understanding at this exceptionally difficult time.

Kind regards

Mrs Parry-Jones, Headteacher

