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Together'**

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Dear Parents and Carers

I am writing to update you on the school's position with regard to the Coronavirus (COVID-19). We have been and continue to follow the government's guidelines and daily updates for the Local Authority very closely. You will be aware that the government moved the country into the delay phase last Thursday and this letter outlines what that means for us and **what we are being asked to do to contribute to the broader national effort to slow the spread of Coronavirus.**

Advice on self-isolation

The government has issued new guidance around the circumstances in which a person should self-isolate. People are asked to self-isolate if they experience the following:

- A new continuous cough and/or
- A high temperature

You do not need to call NHS 111 to go into self-isolation. If symptoms worsen during home isolation or are no better after 7 days contact NHS 111 online. If you have no internet access, you should call NHS 111. A person should remain at home until 7 days after the onset of symptoms. After 7 days, if you feel better and no longer have a high temperature, you can return to your normal routine and a student or pupil can return to school. A cough may persist for several weeks in some people, despite the coronavirus infection having cleared. A persistent cough alone does not mean you must continue to self-isolate for more than 7 days. If a member of your family or someone you live with is required to self-isolate, a student or pupil does not need to do the same unless they start to display the symptoms above. Detailed information can be found here:

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

Should your child be required to self-isolate, please report their absence using the school's normal procedures and state the reason "self-isolation".

Should a staff member notice that a pupil or student has developed a new continuous cough and/or high temperature while at school, we will contact home and ask that appropriate action is taken.

Hygiene

We will continue to remind all pupils, students and staff of the vital importance of good hand and respiratory hygiene as an essential part of slowing the spread of the virus.

School Events

To minimise risk we have decided it would be appropriate and in the children's best interest to cancel forthcoming events which are planned in the near future. This includes the Mother's Day lunch, Family Art Workshops and Easter Bingo. We appreciate that this is disappointing and will hopefully rearrange as soon as possible.

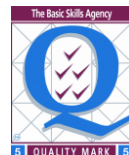
Contact Details

As information and guidance is changing daily can I please request that all parents and carers let us know immediately of any changes of contact details.

I will continue to update you on our response as the situation develops. I remain enormously grateful to our staff for their hard work and to parents and carers for their support at this challenging time.

Yours sincerely

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