





Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2020

Dear Parents/Carers

Firstly, I would like to thank you all for being so understanding if your children have been sent home for 14 days with a new, persistent cough and/or a temperature. We are following government advice and although we all acknowledge that most of these coughs will be caused by the common cold, we have to be consistent and you have been very accepting so thank you. If your child is in isolation, we have put work on the website for all year groups and have created class emails, which your child's teacher will check regularly. If you have any questions about any of the work, or next steps, please do get in touch.

As a school, we have put together an emergency plan to maintain your children's education as effectively as possible, for as long as possible. We are intending to use staff creatively to cover for any absences and will also join classes up where possible to ensure that we can remain open. It may be that your child is not taught by their usual teacher, or indeed in their usual classroom. However, we will present this as an adventure and do our very best to see that their learning is supported.

If we absolutely cannot remain open for all children, we may have to consider closing to certain year groups and will inform you as soon as possible if this becomes unavoidable.

I can reassure you that we are doing everything possible to keep the school open in these difficult times. Going forwards, we will update you regularly as things change. As ever, if you have any questions, please do get in touch. Stay well and I hope to see you all soon.

Kind regards

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