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Dear Parents / Carers,

Regarding concerns about coronavirus, we continue to receive and follow information from Public Health England, Department of Education and the Local Authority; we continue to be guided by them.

To support the delay of the spread of the virus, anyone who shows certain symptoms is to stay at home for 7 days regardless of whether they have travelled to affected areas. As detailed in my letter last week, if a child has such symptoms, they must be isolated within their home environment and the absence will be authorised. If, as parents/carers you are self isolating with symptoms, your child should still attend school. Special arrangements, such as bringing your child to school at 9:05 am and collecting at 3:00 pm can be made by calling the school office thus avoiding contact with other parents and children.

What we are doing in school?

As a school, we continue to promote effective hand-washing and personal hygiene about coughing and sneezing into tissues and encouraging the non-touching of eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands. All classes have access to tissues. In addition, table tops, door handles and hand rails are cleaned thoroughly each evening.

As an immediate safeguarding measure, all school assemblies, including praise, class assemblies and Reception's Come and Play to which you are invited to, are all cancelled. We are also limiting the time we ask children to sit on the carpet for teaching and story time. At present, school visits will continue in line with Department of Education advice.

Will we close the school?

At this present time, we cannot say with any certainty we will not close the school. It may become necessary to close either as directed or by a decision we make ourselves. Any closure could be partial or whole in either the short term, for example for a deep clean, or a longer term if advised. We hope to be able to give you as much notice as possible, however, if directed to close, we may get little notice.

I trust by now your child has all log-in details for each of our available software programmes. If school closes, your child will be able to access these distance learning programmes. Other such project work may be set by your child's classteacher to support their learning.

I will continue to keep you informed via letter or by our text message service. It is imperative we have all current contact information; if you have changed your mobile number recently, please ensure you share it with Miss Mills or Ms Simcox in our school office.

Thank you for your support at this time and I trust and hope we all remain well.

With my best wishes.

S Arnold

Mr S Arnold Headteacher

