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Dear Parents

Update on response to coronavirus (COVID-19)

As you are probably aware the Government is updating their advice about the coronavirus (COVID-19) every day. In addition to the advice that I emailed yesterday, it is now advised that those who are at increased risk of severe illness from the virus should be particularly stringent in following social distancing measures. Please follow the link below for full government advice:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-guidance-on-social-distancing-and-for-vulnerable-people/guidance-on-social-distancing-for-everyone-in-the-uk-and-protecting-older-people-and-vulnerable-adults>

Please continue to contact the school via parentmail if your child needs to go into self-isolation. The attendance will be authorised provided you contact the school to confirm the reason for absence.

Staff are not able to send work home for children who are self-isolating. The school website has been updated with links of educational websites for children to access from home. Work will also be updated onto the website in the next few days.

There are a high number of staff who are absent today due to the recent government guidelines. Your child may not be taught by their class teacher and classes in years 5 and 6 will be split across their year group. We will inform you ASAP via ParentMail if we are asked to close the school or if we have to close the school due to staff shortages.

Thank you for your patience and co-operation with this very tricky and ever-changing situation. We will continue to update you with any changes to Government policy that will affect our procedures at school.

In the meantime, I want to reassure you that we are continuing to do all we can to minimise the risk to children by following all the advice from Public Health England.

Kind Regards

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