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Dear Parents/Carers

School has received a number of queries from parents over the COVID-19 virus. Therefore, I wanted to update you on how we are dealing with this situation.

Our first priority is the safety and well-being of our pupils and staff, and so we continue to strictly adhere to the latest Public Health England advice that is constantly being updated and can be found on our website.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19>

Children should remain at home with their families and self-isolate for 14 days if they have either or both of the following:

- A high temperature (feel hot to touch on chest or back)
- A new, continuous cough- this means you have started coughing repeatedly.

If any children come to school and show these symptoms, they will be sent home. Any parent displaying symptoms should not be bringing children to school or be on the school grounds.

For the foreseeable future, all whole school and parent events will be cancelled. These events include:

- Science cafes
- Assemblies
- Class liturgies
- Reception's afternoon tea for Mother's Day
- All trip and visits
- Extra curricular clubs that are not lead by a school member of staff
- Family ESOL classes
- SmallTalk Stay and Play sessions
- First Holy Communion preparation sessions

You can be assured that as a school, we have been preparing for this situation for several weeks and are following our school's risk assessment carefully.

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Yours Sincerely

Mrs C Chapman
Headteacher

