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Precautionary Measures re. Coronavirus

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have decided to make some sensible precautionary alterations to some procedures and upcoming events in the school calendar. These will be in place from tomorrow and up until the Easter holiday when we will then take stock of the situation. As I am sure you can appreciate, the landscape is changing on a daily basis and our primary concern is the health and wellbeing of *everybody* who uses the school.

Therefore, we will be enforcing the following precautionary measures:

- **KS1 children will be collected from the KS1 yard by their teachers at 8.45am** rather than parents and carers needing to enter the building. Please stay with your children on the yard until this point.
- **Nursery and Reception children will be handed over to staff at the external doors** rather than parents and carers entering the building.
- **Parents' Evening on Wednesday night will be postponed** (should you have any major concerns about your child's education, please feel free to arrange a telephone conversation with the class teacher through the school office). I hope that this can be rearranged in the near future.
- Non-essential meetings and/or visitors will be postponed or cancelled.
- Large gatherings, such as assemblies, **FS Open Day** and the **Easter Bonnet Parade** will be cancelled.
- All trips and visits will be cancelled or postponed (with the exception of the Whirlow residential for Y2, which we feel can go ahead presently as it is a small number of children who will not be meeting crowds).
- School dinners will be staggered over a longer period, and over both downstairs halls, to avoid too many children being in the dining hall together at any one point.
- Hand washing procedures will continue to be enforced and supervised throughout the school day.

What should you do if you feel unwell? Current advice is as follows: if the children are showing symptoms then they should self-isolate, however if there's no confirmed case in the household and they are not showing symptoms then the guidance is that there is no reason why they can't be in school.

See government advice at www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance for further guidance and updates as this is subject to change.

At the time of writing, with regard to school closures, the position remains the same that the overall objective is for schools to remain open and the DFE has strongly stated that schools should only ever shut on advice from Public Health England. If this guidance changes, we will notify you immediately.

Apologies for any inconvenience this may cause, however, I am sure that you understand it is with everybody's best interest and best health in mind.

Best Wishes,

Mr J Sitch
Headteacher

