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Corona Virus Information – 13.3.2020

Dear Parents and Carers

In response to the most recent Government advice regarding the Coronavirus (Covid 19), please find updated guidance for our school below which is effective from today:

- ***If your child has a new, continuous cough or a high temperature (exceeding 38C) they need to be isolated at home for 7 days.*** Please inform the school office of any absence in the usual way so this can be recorded appropriately as we need to track attendance very carefully at this point.
- ***If symptoms are mild,*** current advice is that you do not need to go to the GP surgery, pharmacy or contact NHS 111 as authorities will not be testing these people.
- In school, children have been spoken to about the importance of regular hand washing, coughing and sneezing into tissues and other simple advice. They are reminded of this regularly and encouraged to wash their hands throughout the day– please support these good practices at home.
- We have amended our cleaning regime in response to current advice from our Academy Trust and the DfE and will continue to act upon guidance provided.
- From today, we will not be holding whole school Collective Worship due to amount of people in one space at the same time. We will inform you next week as to whether or not the Easter Services will go ahead at St Nicholas Church.
- We are in the process of establishing a plan should staff numbers reduce and we have to explore others ways of providing an education to children. We will endeavour to provide an education to all our children, but, should the need arise, this may include home learning. Once this plan is completed we will share it with you along with any updates to it.

As a school, we take our duty of care extremely seriously and will keep you updated as and when new information arises.

If you have any questions, please contact us.

Kind regards,

Mrs Scott
Headteacher