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Dear Parents/Carers

With the ever changing Coronavirus situation, I felt it was important to update parents prior to the weekend.

Firstly, the advice given is that children, staff, volunteers, etc. who display the symptoms of Coronavirus, in particular a fever and/or continuous cough, must now self-isolate for 7 days. We would ask that parents and careers notify us in the usual manner if their child will not be attending school.

Secondly, we have been informed that a member of staff has a family member at home who has been in contact with someone who has tested positive for the Covid-19 Coronoavirus. The member of staff is showing no signs of having the virus but as a precaution they have been advised to self-isolate for 7 days which the school fully supports.

Given the changing parameters I would ask that you are patient with us as we may need to rearrange staffing to ensure we can continue to run as normal. As a reminder, we are not permitted to close the school without the permission of Public Health England. I would want to assure parents that if a situation arose where we could not operate safely due to a lack of staff, it may be necessary to close for for this reason. We will of course inform you as soon as we are aware of this.

I am aware that there are a number of foreign trips that are planned in the coming weeks. We are contacting our insurance provider and will pass information to individual families regarding any next steps when this has been clarified. UK visits will continue as normal unless we receive advice to the contrary.

Thank you for your continued support and as the situation changes, I will write with further updates.

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