



24th March 2020

Corona Virus Community Update 11

Dear Parents and Carers,

I speak on behalf of all Governors and staff when wishing you and your families all the very best in these difficult times. We continue to align as best we can to the latest Government updates and I have collated some key notes of interest below for reference and updates.

- As you know, the school is currently closed for a deep clean following the high number of staff and students demonstrating symptoms. Thank you to those who have commented on our commitment to your child's health and the importance of this clean being carried out - your kind words are greatly received and appreciated. These decisions are never easy but the health and safety of everyone comes first.
- The vast majority of staff are working from home and all are working tremendously hard. Our learners are also doing the same but there are still some that are not engaging with learning following information that has been previously outlined. This will be picked up over the coming days and weeks to ensure those that are not engaging, do.
- We understand the increasing pressure for families and the understanding of our 'electronic school'. Staff and students have had a crash course and naturally there will be teething problems from all sides. With this in mind, I have now instructed teachers to submit weekly tasks so they can spend more time interacting with queries relating to these tasks.
- Our support staff will be monitoring who has and hasn't engaged and will follow up accordingly. This will hopefully relieve families of those daily questions they might be getting regarding activities.
- Naturally some families are wanting codes, log-ins and technical support for Google Classroom and I remind everyone to use the guidance and dedicated communication in the e-learning document ([click here](#) to see the guidance).
- A reminder that families requiring free school meals should have already contacted using the information noted in my recent letter - [click here](#) to see this.
- There have been some requests around access and printed resources. Unfortunately it is not currently possible for the resources that my teachers are creating online to be printed. We can however provide an alternative separate work pack for those most in need. This must be arranged also using the email address provided in the E-Learning document and more information will be shared later in the week.

We appreciate your understanding and patience and once again stress the importance of following our guidance and instructions. I will be in touch over the coming days with more information.

Yours faithfully,

Mr D Watkin: Headteacher