Dear Parents/Carers

**Re: Coronavirus Contingency Plans**

The Government’s plans are now to continue to try and contain the spread of the virus, but also delay its spread. Whilst there are no current plans to close schools, it is however possible that at some point schools across the country will be required to close temporarily.  It is therefore necessary that as a school community, we prepare for such an event.

Whilst we appreciate that this is an ever changing situation, the current Government guidance states that **children should continue to attend school every day unless they are ill**. We are upholding high levels of hygiene in the building and children are being reminded to wash their hands thoroughly before and after eating, or visiting the toilet.

In preparation for any closure, we have spent a considerable amount of time arranging IT facilities to enable learning to continue. To this end, we are in the process of setting up Microsoft Teams sites for each class. If we have to close the school, teachers will be able to set online work daily for all classes. Once we have class email addresses, we will let you know how your child can login to access their learning activities. We aim to send this out next week and have a parent meeting to share with you how this will work. We will let you know about this next week.

I will keep you informed about any major developments. The latest guidance from Public Health England can be found here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/coronavirus-covid-19-list-of-guidance>

If a decision is taken to close the school, this could happen at short notice. We will inform you via text and, as well as sharing information on our school website.

Please see the back of this letter for a brief update on current government advice.

Thank you for your continued support.

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