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Dear Parents/Carers,

As the spread of the coronavirus in the UK increases, the school is vigilant to all the advice we receive daily from Public Health England and the Local Authority. We continue to maintain a strong focus on hand washing with the children and staff and promote the 'Catch it, Bin it, Kill it' motto for coughs and sneezes.

Currently, there are no confirmed cases of the coronavirus in our local area. We are, however, aware that the spread of the virus is not something that we can accurately predict, so we must stay very alert to changes. That may mean that, over the coming weeks, I will have to make decisions quickly to reflect the current situation and advice given from Public Health England or the Department for Education.

As it stands today, we are able to continue with public events (such as assemblies) and trips as normal; however, **I must stress that this could change at very short notice.**

Please ensure that we have your most up-to-date contact details (phone number) and please check your text messages and the school website each day to be sure that you have the latest information from us.

For the moment though, we want day-to-day school life to remain as normal as possible for our children and we ask you support us with this. If you feel your child has symptoms described in the link overleaf, particularly a raised temperature and/or a new persistent dry cough or shortness of breath the advice is to keep them off school for 7 days. If you are unsure ring 111 for advice before sending them to school.

In line with the advice that we have received, we are making preparations in case the situation should arise that we have to close the school. Please note that this would not be the Principal's decision, but would be at the direction of Public Health England or the Local Authority. Teachers are being asked to ensure that they create activities for the children to do at home some of which may use online resources and free subscriptions. More information will be provided as necessary.

As a school, we are trying to take informed actions so that we can continue to serve our children and their families as well as we can during this challenging time. We appreciate your support in this matter.

Yours Sincerely,

Kerry Fabi  
Principal

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