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Re: Covid-19

Dear Parents/Carers,

As I have previously said in newsletters throughout the year, I have made a promise to you all that I would keep you updated and be transparent and honest.

With this in mind, we were informed on Saturday that a member of staff had tested positive with Coronavirus. I am happy to inform you that although the member of staff became ill on Tuesday she had not been in contact with any children, as we had a training day on Monday and I closed the school on Tuesday for children, following the Prime Ministers announcement. This was to prepare resources for our remote learning offer.

Two members of staff had face to face contact with the member of staff who tested positive, so as a precaution they had a COVID-19 test at the weekend and both staff received notification that their test results were negative and are back at work.

The member of staff is isolating and will not return to work until they are well, and they will follow the Government guidance for their isolation period. I will continue to update you on a regular basis especially in line with any changes to Government guidance.

Earlier today, I sent out an email to all parents/carers as the Government on Friday stated that all children including 'Critical Worker' children should stay at home if they can possibly do so. We need to keep the number of children in school to a minimum.

Furthermore, today was the first day for live virtual tutorials. We are monitoring the attendance at these live sessions and we are monitoring the work that is sent back to school. It is paramount that your child completes their learning at home and attends their live tutorial session.

The teachers have gone over and above in preparing resources for their pupils and their workload has been huge over these last few weeks. We care dearly about all our children's education and must ensure that children continue with their learning whether they are at home or at school. Please support us with helping children complete their fortnightly work and encourage and help them with sending examples of their learning to their class teacher.

If you have any concerns regarding our home learning offer or come up against any barriers, please contact your child's teacher via their home learning email. All this information was sent home in their folders last week together with a hard copy of all their lessons. This will continue on a fortnightly basis.

To conclude, I thank you in advance for supporting your child's learning.

Mrs Clare Snape



Head of School