



17<sup>th</sup> March 2020

To all parents and carers,

CoVid 19 – Latest update

Following on from the latest government guidelines about the Coronavirus, if you or your child develop a new, continuous cough or/and a high temperature you must self-isolate. Anyone with symptoms should stay at home for at least 7 days. If you live with other people, they **all** should stay at home for at least **14 days**, to avoid spreading the infection outside the home. After 14 days, anyone you live with who does not have symptoms can return to their normal routine.

But, if anyone in your home gets symptoms, they should stay at home for 7 days from the day their symptoms start. Even if it means they're at home for longer than 14 days.

School cannot advise or make the decision whether you or your child should self-isolate. If you do make the decision to self-isolate the government are allowing it to be an authorised absence. However, you must adhere to the advice for **14 days** self-isolation.

Teachers have prepared work for children to complete whilst self-isolating and if the government's advice is to close. These will be available on the website on closure and will be emailed to parents' who have requested work whilst self-isolating.

As a school we are taking extra precautions, therefore a number of our usual activities will be down scaled into classrooms and there will be no whole school gatherings in the hall. Therefore it is with great sadness that certain events will be postponed, these include the Y3/4 Easter production, the Bunkpurugu Movie Night and Good Work liturgies. However, staff will hold smaller Act of Worships in classrooms where children will be merited for good work.

As extra precautions, we are also asking parents to avoid coming into the school building. Therefore, could we ask that you communicate by telephone or email.

First and foremost, all of us have to do whatever we can to protect one another. This should be the case all the time in life, but in this moment I think it matters more than ever. This decision and announcement is being implemented with the motive of keeping people safe, because of that, we support it completely. This virus has shown no immunity. To individuals who are affected and to those who later will become so, you are in our thoughts and prayers.

Kind regards,

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