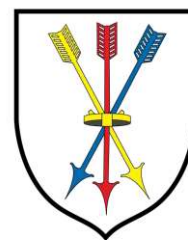


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Purbrook Junior School



17 March 2020

COVID – 19 / CORONAVIRUS – TUESDAY 17TH MARCH 2020

Dear Parent and Carers

Further to the announcement made by the Government yesterday evening, we write to clarify our updated position.

We are adhering to the new advice set out by the Government. We will be providing work via the school website so that children who are self-isolating can continue their education over the 14-day quarantine period.

The school website is currently being updated and there will shortly be links to learning and activities for you to complete together at home.

### **Infant School Information**

In addition to action taken so far we will be cancelling all non-essential contact, so all meetings (including the upcoming parents' evenings), school events (such as the cake sales and Easter events and music concerts), afterschool clubs and lunch clubs and staff training until further notice. The infants Piazza Project has been cancelled until further notice.

Football with CM Sports and music lessons with Mr Tanner will continue to run at present but please be aware the changing situation could also affect this provision.

Breakfast and afterschool clubs (Beehive) at present will remain open however we will continue to monitor this in regards to staffing.

We are asking that from now on all parents must contact the school via telephone and email rather than visiting the School Office. Please continue to update us with any pupil absences, Studybugs is the best platform for this as the answerphones are getting full in the mornings.

### **Junior School Information**

#### **Non-essential contact**

All planned meetings and school events will be postponed until further notice. Should you wish to talk with your child's class teacher, please contact the school office by telephone or ParentMail.

## **Handwashing**

We continue to be vigilant about the need to wash hands regularly. Children will be sent to wash their hands before lunch as well as when they use the toilet, cough, sneeze etc. as well as regular intervals throughout the day. Please continue to support the school by encouraging hand washing techniques at home.

## **Attendance**

Any absence must be reported to the school. Please use ParentMail or the school answer machine to report your child's absence. If your child has a high temperature or a persistent cough, please do not send them in to school. The current advice is for the family to self-isolate for 14 days. Your child's absence will be recorded as a 'Y' code for exceptional circumstances. If your child is absent for another reason e.g. broken bone, this will usually be recorded as an authorised absence.

## **School trips and visits**

The school will not be taking part in any off site activities or school trips for the foreseeable future. This includes Year 4 swimming.

## **Large groups**

We are no longer having whole school assemblies as from this afternoon, instead collective acts of worship will take place in classrooms.

## **Unwell children at school**

As always, any child who is unwell will be monitored closely and if we think it is necessary, we will contact you. This is our normal school practise. If any child presents with a persistent cough and/or high temperature, your child will need to be isolated along with any family members.

## **Breakfast and after school care club**

These clubs will continue to run as usual.

## **After School Activities**

School based clubs will continue with the exception of cookery, science and karate.

## **Home Learning**

All teachers are having some dedicated time to prepare some home learning activities for children should the school have to close. Further details to follow.

We understand that this is an unprecedented and worrying time for us all and we will be acting on and sharing any further advice given as it unfolds.

Together as a Purbrook Community we can support each other at this difficult time.

Yours sincerely,

**Lisa de Carteret**  
**Headteacher of the Infants**

**Craig Williams**  
**Headteacher of the Juniors**