

Water Primary School

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Please can I take this opportunity to inform you of our current policy regarding the Coronavirus outbreak.

At the moment every effort is being made to remain open, this is in line with current advice from the Government. We are in unprecedented times and I urge us all to remain vigilant, strong and united in order to nullify the spread and fight this disease.

Over the coming weeks and months the school will take a number of measures to ensure that school is open in order for our children to continue their education and parents are able to get to work (many of which work for NHS or other vital services) and provide for their families.

You may have seen last week that I sent out a risk assessment outlining our plans. We are now in the delay phase and we will be taking these following measures:-

- Supervision of children washing hands and staff escorting children to the bathrooms
- Breakfast Club and After School Club children washing hands before and after sessions
- Site cleaning will be rigorous and robust.
- Weekly deep cleans.
- Reducing of contact times such as assemblies, carpet time, trips
- Sending home any children with symptoms
- Following advice from the Government and any children / staff to remain self-isolating for seven days for any of the outlined symptoms.

We are also extremely busy preparing for other scenarios such as school closure, these include:-

- Home Learning Packs (Paper Copies) + Power Maths
- Preparing home learning platforms such as SeeSaw, Spelling Shed and TT Rockstars.
- Class Dojo for extensive home contact
- Website page with all activities
- Collection of ICT Surveys in order to support families without ICT provision
- Collection of food supplies for the most vulnerable people in our community
- Liaising with school catering to provide food hampers for Pupil Premium children
- Daily contact with families either through Class Dojo, telephone or email. Please can you ensure we have your most recent contact details on file.

Unfortunately the impact of staff absences needs to be considered and therefore the following arrangements may be required.

- Mixed classes
- Shared planning
- Parental volunteers



In addition some of our children have underlying medical needs which means they are more susceptible to the virus. Children who are on the medical register may need to be removed from school for their safety. The school will support this and help with any home learning which will be needed. If this is the case we will contact you and make the necessary arrangements.

For further information please can you follow this link to our dedicated page. Here you will find further information, links to the home learning and advice and information on how we can stop the spread of the disease.

<https://www.water.lancs.sch.uk/page/?title=Coronavirus+Advice+and+Information&pid=235>

As always, thank you for your support.

Mr Willan
Headteacher

