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Dear Parent/Carer

## Coronavirus (COVID-19) Update: Latest guidance

As you will be aware, the Government has revised its guidance regarding the Coronavirus, as follows:

**Stay at home guidance:** <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection</a>

## Key point:

• If you live with others and you or one of them have symptoms of coronavirus — i.e. a new continuous cough and/or a high temperature — then all household members must stay at home and not leave the house for 14 days. The 14-day period starts from the day when the first person in the house becomes ill.

## The situation at school:

- School remains open for all year groups. It may be that, in time, we are directed to close, or staff absence is such that we have no option other than to close or reduce our offer. Mr
  Watters will write to you tomorrow regarding arrangements for learning at home for pupils unable to be in school.
- We continue to have no reported cases of Coronavirus.
- If your child or someone in the household has a new continuous cough and/or a high temperature then they and all household members must stay at home and not leave the house for 14 days.
- With regard to pupils or family members at increased risk of severe illness (as defined here), we support parents / carers making individual decisions as they deem appropriate.
- All trips, visits and sporting fixtures have been cancelled until further notice.
- The Key Stage 3 disco (26 March) is cancelled.
- The information evening for parents of those on the French trip (26 March) is postponed for the time being.

I shall write to you again as the situation develops.

Yours faithfully

Mr G Atkins

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