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Dear Parents/Carers

UPDATE – Coronavirus

Following further developments over the weekend I have been in consultation with the Governing Body this morning and we have made the decision to suspend all non-essential school events that are attended by significant numbers of parents, carers and other visitors. **This will apply until the scheduled Easter break.** We have made this decision in the best interests of the children, staff and wider community.

Parent Consultations: These have been cancelled for tomorrow. Mid-year reports will be sent home this week with your child. If you have any issues regarding your child's progress please call school to book a telephone consultation with your child's class teacher.

Mother's Day Assembly: This has been cancelled. We will endeavour to hold this assembly during the summer term.

Superstars Assembly: We will not be inviting parents, carers and visitors to assembly until further notice.

PTA: The craft night arranged for today will go ahead as planned. Easter bingo has been cancelled.

All educational visits have been cancelled until further notice. We will look to rebook these for the summer term. If you require a refund please contact the school office.

As per my letter last week, we would ask you to ensure that **if your child has a new, continuous cough OR a fever that you keep them at home for 7 days.** Follow Public Health England advice and 'do not leave your house for 7 days from when your symptoms started'. Obviously for everyone's safety, please follow the government's advice. At this difficult time we would ask that everyone errs on the side of caution.

At school we will continue to encourage children to wash their hands with soap and water for 20 seconds. We have increased the opportunities for this to happen in school and have added extra hand sanitiser to each classroom and at the entrance to school. Please ensure your child washes their hands before leaving home and when returning from school.

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Class teachers are currently making provision for providing home learning in the event the government announces that schools must close. This will be mostly accessed through online resources on the class pages of the school website. **If you do not have internet access and will require paper copies of all resources please inform us as soon as possible.** Also many home based tasks may require access to other online learning websites. We will be sending all children home with an exercise book this week. These books should not be returned but kept for home use. We have a limited capacity to loan out some iPads – again please contact school as soon as possible if this is required.

Thank you for your support during this difficult and challenging time. We will continue to communicate regularly with you as we respond to the changing landscape both nationally and globally. In all instances we will follow government advice and guidelines and all decision made by school leadership, in conjunction with the Governing Body, will be in the best interests of the children, staff and wider community.

Yours sincerely

Mr P Floyd
Headteacher



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