



# North Somercotes Church of England Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers

## UPDATE – Coronavirus

*Please note: We have added a section on Coronavirus to our school website [www.nspri.co.uk](http://www.nspri.co.uk). This includes **all letters sent home, links to latest government guidance and information regarding home learning**. Please use this as your first point of access for information.*

Following continued developments over recent days I wanted to update you regarding the schools latest position regarding the coronavirus pandemic. We will continue to follow all government advice and guidelines. **The current guidance states that if anyone in your household has a new and continuous cough or a fever everyone in the household should self-isolate for 14 days from the day the first person became ill. We implore all families to follow this advice in the strictest terms.** We have a significant number of families self-isolating for these reasons. We also have a number of families following the government guidance on social distancing due to underlying health issues within the family. **Please read the guidance carefully – this may apply to you and your family.** We encourage families to err on the side of caution.

We are also facing some increasing staffing challenges as a number of staff have been required to follow government guidance on social distancing. **At the moment we have the capacity to meet the needs of our children**, however this can change very quickly. In the event we cannot staff the school in line with statutory safeguarding requirements I will have no choice but to close the school. **The current staff in school are working tremendously hard in ensuring continuity for the children. I want to take this chance to openly thank each and every one of them for their commitment and dedication at this challenging time.**

With regard to blanket school closures we await notification from the Government, Public Health England and the Local Authority - until we are told to close, we remain open while we can. **However, from next week all sports coaching, after school clubs and music provision will be suspended.**

**Home Learning information has now been added to the school website** and further information is attached to the reverse of this letter. All children will today bring home a blank exercise book. **Please read the home learning information in detail** so you can fully understand our expectations and give yourself the best opportunity to support your child/children in the event school is required to close. **If you do not have internet access and will require paper copies of all resources please inform us as soon as possible.** Mid-year reports will also be sent home today.

Thank you again for your support during this difficult and challenging time. In all instances we will follow government advice and guidelines and all decisions 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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