



Tudor Grange Primary Academy
Meon Vale

18th March 2020

Re. Coronavirus update – updated 4pm

Dear parent/carer,

Further to my previous communications, I wanted to provide you with an update on the current situation and how the school is responding to this.

The situation:

At the time of writing, there are no plans to close the school. However, should this change parents and carers will be informed as soon as possible. Should the situation change for the worse, school work will be made available for all pupils in all year groups to enable you to support your child's learning at home.

We thank you for your continued patience during this time of uncertainty.

As you are aware, current guidance states that whole families should self-isolate for fourteen days if one member of the family presents with symptoms, the key symptoms are:

- A high temperature – you feel hot to touch on your chest or back
- A new, continuous cough – this means you've started coughing repeatedly

The new guidance outlines that:

- Individuals will still be asked to self-isolate for 7 days from the onset of symptoms
- Other individuals in the same household will need to self-isolate for 14 days from the moment that the first individual experiences symptoms
- If another member of the household develops symptoms, they must not leave the home for 7 days from when the symptoms started

This guidance is also impact staffing levels in the school, we now have 1 member of staff self-isolating, however, none are showing symptoms. We are pleased to say that we have continued to maintain usual practice in regards to learning.

The current guidance is available at:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/public-health-england>

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19>

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-guidance-on-social-distancing-and-for-vulnerable-people>



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What we have done:

As you know, we have been and will continue to regularly monitor and follow the advice from Public Health England and the NHS. We have heightened our own hygiene measures in school, including enhanced cleaning and briefed students on the guidance to help prevent the spread of all germs and we would appreciate your continued support in reinforcing this at home also. We have identified a dedicated medical area should anyone develop symptoms while in school so we can help minimise contact with others. Of course, this room will be deep cleaned if it is required to be used.

We have also put plans in place so we are ready to respond should the situation change for the worse, including making schoolwork available online (Further details and instruction will follow).

We will continue to update you via our school communication systems.

We hope you join us in wishing those who are unwell a speedy recovery. While we fully appreciate this is a worrying time, please rest assured that we are doing all we can to safeguard the good health of our students and our wider school community. Thank you for your ongoing support in helping us to achieve this.

Yours faithfully,

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