



Dear parents / carers,

16th March, 2020

Important Coronavirus Update

Parent Consultation Evenings Cancelled Tuesday 17th and Thursday 19th March, 2020

We have taken the decision to cancel our parent consultation evenings, due to take place this Tuesday and Thursday.

We feel that, as the Coronavirus is spreading rapidly, we should take every opportunity to distance ourselves from large gatherings and I know that you will be very supportive of our decision given the current circumstances.

We have only just taken this decision and although I can reassure you that we will undertake to give you some feedback about your child's learning this term, we have not yet finalised exactly how this will be organised.

Each year group 1-4 will be making contact with you next week in order to set out how feedback arrangements will be implemented as we are going to allow teachers to organise this in a way that is suitable and appropriate for them and the age of the child etc.

Social Distancing Arrangements

As part of these new arrangements we will be asking that all the adults coming into our school wash their hands on arrival and we will be following the same protocol regarding not shaking hands which is becoming common practice at this difficult time.

Self-Isolation Arrangements

We are closely following the guidance that we are given by the government, all of which are available as links, on our Coronavirus page on our website which you can find following the parent's link from the homepage or by following this link <https://www.firslower.co.uk/page/?title=Coronavirus&pid=331>

If your child is showing symptoms, including a high temperature **and/or** a persistent cough, they should not be coming into school and following government directives they should not return to school for **7 days**. If a child develops such symptoms in school, we will need to contact you to arrange to collect them.

We appreciate that children being off school for 7 days can cause real difficulty for parents in terms of child care and we greatly sympathise. Unfortunately, this is a very unusual and difficult time for all of us and we have to follow the guideline set down by the government.

Yours sincerely,

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