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Dear Parents/ Carers

As you will be aware, there is a large amount of information circulating around the Covid-19 virus and the possibility of school closures across the country.

We follow Public Health England and local government advice and will act according to any orders from the government. Please see <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/topical-events/coronavirus-covid-19-uk-government-response">https://www.gov.uk/government/topical-events/coronavirus-covid-19-uk-government-response</a> for further information.

The school management are continually monitoring the situation and planning contingency measures, largely based around shortages of staff in our various departments and how to mitigate against the effects of these. We are also making preparations for a school closure, temporary or longer term.

In the meantime there is no imminent closure planned and if there is anything that I need to inform parents/ carers of, I promise I will do so directly, so please do not rely on rumour or speculation.

Following recent advice children, parents and staff should not come to school for seven days if the person has:

- a new continuous cough and/or
- high temperature

Meanwhile, I am grateful to the children for their diligence in cleanliness procedures, often heard singing "Happy Birthday" in the toilets. Also, Mr Would and his team are carrying out a major cleaning programme daily.

Life and education in school continues just as it should and the children remain happy, engaged and hardworking and a credit to you all.

Yours faithfully

Mr Sean Smith Headteacher