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# COVID-19 - Update

Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to update you on the changes that are happening in the school following the latest changes to COVID-19 guidance for schools. As you are probably aware, the 'guidance' is now 'advice' which means there are changes in how we will be operating as a school.

### Attendance:

Attendance continues to be mandatory and we will continue monitoring attendance in line with school policy. Whilst we are mindful that this academic year has proven challenging where attendance is concerned, we are require to follow up on low attendance.

### Notification of positive COVID-19 cases:

We will no longer be contacting parents via Study Bugs of positive cases in their child's class. We ask parents and carers to follow government advice:

## If your child develops COVID-19 symptoms or has a positive test:

Pupils, staff and other adults who have COVID-19 symptoms, <u>should</u> follow guidance on <u>People with</u> <u>COVID-19 and their contacts:</u>

If you have COVID-19 you should stay at home and avoid contact with other people.

You should follow public health advice on when to self-isolate and what to do:

You **should** stay at home and avoid contact with other people if you:

- have any of the main symptoms of COVID-19
- have tested positive for COVID-19 this means you have the virus

If you insist on your child attending school when they have symptoms, we can take the decision to refuse your child if, in our reasonable judgement, it is necessary to protect other pupils and staff from possible infection with COVID-19. Our decision would need to be carefully considered in light of all the circumstances and current public health advice.

### Remote education:

Our teachers are currently using all their efforts to ensure pupils in school are receiving the best possible education.

As a school we are still expected to support pupils, where it is appropriate, who are self-isolating because they have tested positive, to work or learn from home **if they are well enough to do so.** 

In order to manage this alongside normal teacher workload, we are asking pupils who are well enough to work to use the following resources:

- Daily Reading
- Accessing quizzes on accelerated reader
- Bug Club
- TT Rockstars and Numbots
- Topic home learning projects
- SPAG and Times tables homework books

As well as these, learning can be accessed through the following websites:

- BBC Bitesize
- Oak National Academy

Infant school pupils should completed around 3 hours of learning a day, and junior pupils around 4 hours.

This is a very difficult time, with many adjustments to how we have been managing and reacting to COVID-19 and I appreciate you may have further questions. Please feel free to contact the school if you need support.

Many thanks

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