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Coronavirus

Dear Parents / Carers,

The DfE has issued detailed guidance to assist schools and other educational settings in providing advice for pupils, students, staff and parents around the issues relating to Coronavirus which we are following. The children are washing their hands regularly and have access to tissues in order to prevent the spread of infection through the 'catch it, bin it, kill it' approach.

As the virus continues to spread, it is uncertain as to whether schools will be placed into a situation where they have to close for a time. As a school staff, we feel it is important to be prepared for this and to put measures in place so that the children can continue their learning off site. We are sharing this information with you now so that you know what we will do as a school.

In preparation, teachers are putting together a physical pack of work for every child in school in case a school closure is imposed on us. The pack will have work and paper for the children to use to record their learning so that it can be returned to school for marking. We feel that this approach would be more beneficial as opposed to families needing to download and print work off at home for their children to do. In addition to work in the folder, there will also be suggestions of activities and websites for children to gain learning opportunities from. Children have their Spelling Shed logins and Times Table Rock Stars as well which they can work on at home and we would also encourage reading every day.

The pack of work will be sent home imminently so that every family has it. **Please do not use this pack unless there is a school closure – if there is no school closure, we would like the pack back.**

In terms of communication between school and families, the most efficient method for us as a school is through Facebook so please can I urge all families to sign up to this if you haven't already done so. Teachers will contact their class on a daily basis through Facebook if we are closed.

Hopefully our planning and preparation will not be needed and school will remain open, however it is better to be ready just in case.

If you have any questions or queries, please don't hesitate to get in touch with me.

Kind regards,

Mrs Julie Lyon

Head Teacher

