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Dear Parent/Carer,

As you will be aware, as a school we are closely monitoring the current situation on coronavirus (COVID-19). The guidance this evening is as follows;

Updated guidance on recording school pupil absences

- Schools will not be penalised if they have significant absence due to Coronavirus (COVID-19).
- Where a pupil is in self-isolation, in accordance with latest information and advice from Department of Health and Social Care and Public Health England, pupils will have an exceptional code as a mark in the register- this is an agreed absence.
- Where a pupil does not attend school and is not self-isolating, the pupil will be marked as absent.
- The Dept. for Education expects headteachers will authorise absence where a pupil is not able to attend because of an underlying health condition that means they, or a family member in their household, are particularly vulnerable to coronavirus (COVID-19).

It is very important that you do not send your child to school should they have a new persistent cough or a high temperature over 38 degrees. If any member of the family is showing these signs you will ALL need to isolate for 14 days as a family.

I will continue to give you as many updates as possible during this difficult time. May I take this opportunity to thank you for your positive messages of support we really do appreciate them.

Take care,

Luci Windle
Executive Head Teacher

