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Dear Parents and Carers

Since the latest Government announcement regarding school closures for all pupils except children of frontline workers and vulnerable children, we have looking at what this means for us as a school as it affects all our pupils.

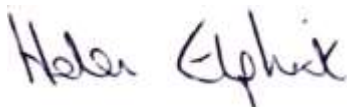
As of today there are 12 members of staff who are self-isolating for 12 weeks due to underlying health conditions and another 6 members of staff who are not in school for the next 7 or 14 days. These numbers may increase as the situation progresses. While it has been possible to have safe staffing levels this week, as a number of pupils have also self-isolated, this will need to be reviewed on a day by day basis.

The health and safety of our pupils and staff is our paramount concern so while we are able to meet these, the school will remain open. However, should this no longer be the case, I will endeavour to inform everyone as the earliest opportunity.

Please be aware that we will continue to send pupils home if they present with a persistent cough or high temperature. If you are concerned about your child being in school, I should like to reassure you that it is your choice if you would like to keep your child / children at home and this will not affect their attendance levels.

The wellbeing of pupils and staff is always my priority and I will continue to act in the best interests of our school community. In light of this, the school will be closed for the Easter holidays.

Kind regards



Helen Elphick
Headteacher