

# Rounds Green Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

We find ourselves in an unprecedented and rapidly changing situation with Coronavirus. As I explained in my last letter to you, we are keeping up to date with the latest guidance from the Government and are keeping abreast of any updates.

As we have now entered the 'delay' phase, we have reviewed our risk assessment in school and have also tried to look ahead with regards to events that are planned in the forthcoming school diary.

I wanted to therefore write to inform you of the actions that we taking and they are as follows:

- All children have been reminded about how to wash their hands thoroughly and staff are ensuring that children do this regularly throughout the day;
- Our site staff are cleaning toilets and handles around school throughout the day as well as a thorough clean each evening;
- Hand sanitiser is available in key places in school and we will be ensuring that any visitors to school, sanitise their hands before coming in;
- We will no longer be holding assemblies in the hall, but these will be held with individual classes in their classroom;
- We have unfortunately had to cancel all planned trips; this includes the Year 4 trip to Dudley Zoo and the Year 1 trip to Sandwell Valley Nature Reserve. Money will be reimbursed to those parents who have already paid;
- Some of our after-school provision is being cancelled as some of our providers are no longer sending staff to lead these clubs. At the moment, this includes basketball and dance clubs;
- Football team training and matches, choir and SATs booster classes are also cancelled;
- Swimming sessions for Year 5 will also be cancelled;
- **The only clubs currently running are breakfast and after school paid clubs.**

In order to restrict the amount of visitors in school we have also taken the following steps:

- Class assemblies have been cancelled, this includes Nursery assembly this week and any other assemblies until the end of term;
- There will not be any Easter Bonnet events for parents/carers to attend this year;
- We would also ask the parents of Nursery and Reception children, who we normally encourage to come into class to settle the children, to now drop children off at the door and not come into school please.

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Whilst we do not have any confirmed cases at the moment, I would also like to take this opportunity to remind you of the following guidance that has been issued:

**Children should stay at home if they are unwell with a new, continuous cough or a high temperature to avoid spreading infection to others. In light of guidance issued yesterday, ALL members of the household should self-isolate for 14 days, if one member of the household has symptoms. Otherwise children should attend school as normal.**

We would ask for your co-operation with this and please remember to call school to notify us if your child is absent. Please also notify us if you or your family members have any confirmed cases or if you have had any contact with anyone who has recently returned from any of the affected countries on the Gov.uk website.

We are in the process of preparing work packs, so in the event of schools being closed, we will be able to send children home with some work to complete. This is a very difficult time for everyone and I thank you in advance for your co-operation and it is a time where we all need to look after each other and show a strong community spirit.

I will of course be in touch with any updates.

Kind regards,

Mrs H. B. Heap

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