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Dear Parents and carers,

We are writing to you today to update you on the current situation, which as you are aware is changing frequently. I would like to reassure you that we are following all government guidelines and will continue to update you as we get more information. We are experiencing a small number of children starting to develop temperatures and coughs at school and for that reason it is vital that we have at **least 3 up to date phone contacts and that you ensure you are contactable at all times during the school day**.

There were some changes in government advice on Monday:

• *if you live with others and you or one of them have symptoms of coronavirus, then all household members must stay at home and not leave the house for* **14 days***. The 14-day period starts from the day when the first person in the house became ill.*

This means that any children who are currently at home, self-isolating for 7 days must now stay home for **14 days**. Also, if anyone in the family home is unwell with a temperature or new, continuous cough, the whole family must stay at home for **14 days**. Please can you follow this government guidance.

The new guidelines provided by the government do also mean that we will have fewer staff able to come to school this week. For this reason, we need to make the difficult decision to **close our Nursery for the rest of this week**.

The rest of the school will remain open however as staff numbers are reduced we will be merging classes together in all other year groups.

Please be aware that we are all doing our absolute best to keep everyone as safe as possible.

As always, we thank you for your continued support and will update you again with any changes.

With best wishes Zoe Hussain Headteacher