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Dear Parents,

I am writing to update you on how we are planning to manage staffing issues as a result of coronavirus. Here is a summary of which year groups are open tomorrow:

Reception: All classes closed

Year 1-6: Open

We will be reducing the number of classes across Years 1-5 so that there will be three classes in each year group. This is something we can do without breaching class numbers and ensuring that every class has a teacher.

Children in these year groups should come into school as normal where a member of staff will collect them on the playground, register them and arrange them into the three classes once everyone is in.

In Year 6, all four classes will be open as usual.

I appreciate that this is very 'different' to usual but I can assure you that we are all working very hard to ensure as much consistency for the children as we can during these challenging times.

In terms of families managing their health, the guidance is still:

If anyone within a household has a cough or a temperature, the entire household should isolate for 14 days.

It is important that everyone in our school community follows this guidance.

If anyone develops either of these symptoms they should stay at home and self-isolate for 14 days, along with all members of their household, and use the online NHS 111 service.

Please do contact the school and inform us if your household is self-isolating as this will help us to manage the health and well-being of others in school.

We are keen to support families where parents work in front-line services such as social care, the NHS or the emergency services. If our proposed changes in Reception affect any such families, please do contact the school so we can see how we can help.

Additional Information

- All trips, including swimming, have been cancelled as have all non-essential visitors to the school.
- Space Cadets will continue to operate as normal. If there are any changes to our wrap-around provision, I will write to you again once I have spoken to the team and assessed the situation.
- We have been contacted by East Bristol Foodbank to see if we can arrange contributions for vulnerable families during this time. Please see the attached poster for more information.
- We are developing home learning packs and these have been sent out via ParentMail. Additional home learning opportunities will follow shortly.

Thanks you for all of your understanding during this time. I will try to keep you as up to date as I can with any changes so please do keep an eye out for any school communication.

Yours sincerely,

Tim Browse