

Holy Trinity CE Primary School



Friday 13th March 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

The situation regarding the Coronavirus (COVID-19) is concerning for us all so I wanted to update you on our plan to minimize the impact on children's learning as part of the 'Delay Phase'.

At present the DFE has decided not to close schools. However, as the situation changes we may be instructed to close with short notice. If this is the case we will send work home. This will be a combination of on-line learning and packs, including project work.

Measures in place to protect our school:

- Minimise outside visitors to the school
- Ensure hand gel is available in all classrooms
- Ensure all children are washing their hands regularly
- Reducing large assemblies
- Cancelled trips for the rest of the term – we will refund you
- And even Dale has adopted the Elbow Bump on the gate!

I want to assure you we are doing all we can in school and are following government advice.

Following the current government advice, if your child has either of the following he/she must self-isolate for 7 days and inform the school:

- A high temperature
- A new, continuous cough

Current advice remains in place: no education or children's social care setting should close in response to a suspected or confirmed COVID-19 case unless advised to do so by Public Health England.

The Chief Medical Officer has advised that the impact of closing schools on both children's education and on the workforce will be substantial, but the benefit to public health may not be. Decisions on future advice to schools will be taken based on the latest and best scientific evidence, which at this stage suggests children are a lower risk group.

I will endeavor to keep you updated.

Yours sincerely,
Laura Hall
Headteacher