



# St. Michael's Church of England Primary School



Our school values: *Respect · Kindness · Challenge · Forgiveness · Perseverance*

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Dear Parents

I would like to apologise for the influx of letters and messages that you have been receiving from school over the past few weeks. However, in this unprecedented situation I feel it is vital that I continue to give regular updates and pass on any new advice we are given in a timely manner. This is a rapidly progressing situation and things are changing; in some cases, on an hourly basis.

Firstly, as many will have seen from yesterday's press conference, guidance regarding self-isolating has been updated. Anyone who shows any symptoms, particularly a cough or temperature, however mild, should isolate for 14 days. The government is also stipulating that everyone within the household should also self-isolate. If your child is currently self-isolating please note that they must not come back into school before that 14 days period has ended. I very much appreciate that this can be difficult for working parents, however, it is vital that we all follow this guidance in order to keep all of our children safe.

There are also new guidelines around social distancing, particularly for the elderly and vulnerable. If you feel that you, your child or anyone within your household is vulnerable and you have concerns, please contact me at school and I will be happy to discuss this further with you.

Staff within school have been preparing for the future possibility of school closures and for those children who need to self-isolate. Attached to this letter are two documents. "Home Learning 1" is information about activities that can be done at home by anyone who is self-isolating. "Home Learning 2" details plans we have in place in the case of school closure.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact school if you have any queries at all.

Many thanks

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Headteacher