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Dear Parents/Carers,

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Further to our letter yesterday, please see further information and advice regarding the current situation.

Please could you report children's absences to the School Office via telephone as usual. Please leave a message on the answer phone if you are unable to get through. The children's absence will be authorised with a Y code (for exceptional circumstances) if their absence is due to advice regarding Coronavirus. This will not affect their attendance record. Any other illness however, will be treated and recorded as usual. Please take time to read the advice regarding people who may be more vulnerable to this virus. You may wish to consider whether your needs mean you should self-isolate because you have an underlying health condition or a member of your household does. Please do read the advice provided by the government which is available through Public Health England at:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-guidance-on-social-distancing-and-for-vulnerable-people>

For those pupils who are absent whilst school is currently open, we are in the process of creating a Home Learning page on our Website where children can access general online resources and generic learning tasks that can be undertaken at home if they are well enough to do so. Unfortunately, with the numbers of pupils who are now absent, we will not be able to provide specific tasks at this point in time. As you will appreciate the staff are continuing to teach those pupils who are in school and they are in the process of preparing special learning packs for all children in case we have to close at some point in the future. Further information about these will be sent at the appropriate time if we are instructed to close.

If you are self-isolating, please see again the link below which was included in our letter sent to parents yesterday:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance>

We strongly urge you to read and follow this advice which states that you should be self-isolating within your own home, and only going outside of your own home if it is essential to do so. This relates to all family members including children.



With regards to school activities, you will now be aware that the last two sessions of TNS Tri-golf and Tennis after school clubs have now been postponed until the summer term. Art Club and Sewing Club will continue as normal for this week and next and Early Birds will continue as normal.

We will continue to inform parents and carers on the latest advice and actions we will take as the situation develops via email and /or text. The website will also be updated regularly.

Best Regards,

Kate Budd