



Willaston Primary School



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Dear Parents/Carers

I attended a meeting yesterday, with all Island school Headteachers and The Minister for Education.

Firstly, just my personal opinion, but I was hugely impressed with how the Minister and the Department for Education Sport and Culture are genuinely supportive, during this difficult time, of the pupils, the staff and the community surrounding each school.

As you will no doubt be aware, there are currently **NO** plans to close schools.

That being said, we are of course , very aware that things could change very quickly. To that end, like all schools, we are planning ahead as to how children's education can be maintained. There are many options currently being explored, and I can assure you maintaining children's education is very important to us.

These continue to be precautionary measures we have in place:-

Any children showing mild symptoms such as a continuous cough and/or high temperature should self isolate for 14 days.

Any staff member showing mild symptoms such as a continuous cough and/or high temperature should self isolate for 14 days.

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If any household member has 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.

If staff or pupils are in a household with someone who is self isolating with no symptoms (ie. returning from UK) there is NO requirement for all members of the household to self isolate.

Cleaning within school has been 'stepped up' with Ms Kirkham regularly wiping surfaces with disinfectant.

Parents evening will **NOT** be taking place at present. The senior leadership team are exploring alternative approaches to keep parents appraised of their child's progress.

Non essential visit/visitors to school have been cancelled. Therefore events **NOT** taking place are:-

- Open the book assembly
- NSPCC assemblies and workshops
- Read, write inc. workshop for Foundation/KS1
- Cake sale for Year 5
- Cross Country Competition
- Sports hall athletics
- Dolphin Gala
- Daffodil presentation at the Town Hall

I will ensure that you are kept updated if things change.

If you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to speak to me in the morning when I am on the school playground or contact the school.

Yours Faithfully

Rose Burton (Headteacher)