



Mount Pleasant Primary School

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Our School Motto - "Think Big, Aim High & Achieve!"

Tuesday, 17 March 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

Further to our last communication (via SchoolPing) regarding the Coronavirus, new advice was shared yesterday evening by the Government on steps we should take to keep our children and communities safe during these difficult times.

School related advice

As per the advice from the Government, schools will all remain **open as usual**. This may change in coming days in which case we will inform you – via SchoolPing.

Self-Isolation

The Government has issued updated advice in relation to self-isolation. In summary, if your child should present with the following specific symptoms:

- new continuous cough and/or
- high temperature

It is advised that they stay at home for 14 days from the onset of the symptoms. It is also advised that everyone living in the same house (including siblings, parents, other relatives etc) also self-isolate and stay at home as a precautionary measure. If this is the case, please contact school to report absence as usual. The most up to date advice can be found on the links below:

- The latest Government advice can be found via this link.
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance>
- or NHS advice via <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>

Good Hygiene

Good hygiene is the most important measure we can take to slow the spread of the virus. All children have and are receiving daily guidance on the importance of frequent handwashing using soap, and anti-bacterial hand-gel. This advice also includes not touching any area of your face with your fingers, if you have not washed your hands. Disposable tissues need to be used to catch any coughs and sneezes, and these should be disposed off immediately, followed by hand-washing.



School Safeguarding Officer: Mrs S House

Kirklees Duty and Assessment Service

Tel: 01484 221000

Website: www.kirkleessafeguardingchildren.com

Parents Evenings

There will be no parents' evenings for the whole school until things improve. However, we will endeavour to provide parents with a brief electronic report on children's progress which will be shared via SchoolPing.

Before and After School Interventions

We are cancelling all before and after school interventions until further notice. However, we will make sure these take place as much as possible during the school day.

Parents morning session in class

Please note we will be asking KS1 parents to leave their children at the class door. If your child is in Nursery or Reception, please take them into class and then leave them in their teacher's care.

Home learning packages

In the event that the school needs to close, we are putting together a series of 'home learning packages' for children so that their learning can continue at home. We will keep you updated about these as necessary – via SchoolPing.

Method of further communication

As you can appreciate, this is a fast-changing issue and as such we will continue to update Parents / Carers if the advice changes. All further communication (including about possibility of school closure etc) will be shared electronically through SchoolPing and via the school website (www.mountpleasantschool.co.uk) – which you are asked to check regularly.

Please note: It is your responsibility to ensure that you have access to SchoolPing. If you do not, then please contact the school office urgently for assistance – on 01484 223198.

Current contact details

Please ensure that the school office has your up to date contact numbers and email addresses, as these will be used to provide further communication.

We appreciate this is a difficult time for everyone and we will endeavour to do our best to support our families through it. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask.

Kind Regards



Mrs Naeem Nazir

(Headteacher)