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Dear parents/carers,

I am writing to you with a further update to the letter I sent on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2020, in relation to the COVID-19 situation in the UK. As I am sure you will be aware, there has been some changes to government advice which will impact you and your families.

I am trying to strike the balance between keeping you informed as quickly as possible with the most recent information and avoiding information overload, which may lead to important messages being missed.

Key changes you need to be aware of:

- If **any** member of your family develops a persistent cough and/or a high temperature (over 37.8°C), **all** members of the household are required to self-isolate for **14 days**
- If you report your child as being self-isolated, whether due to showing symptoms themselves or because a household member is showing symptoms, the earliest I would expect your child back in school is 14 days after their first day of isolation

As you know, the government has not instructed schools to close at this stage. However, I am asking our teachers to plan for such an instruction from the government. Furthermore, I may have to reduce school opening to certain year groups as a result of staff absence. If any of these circumstances arise, I will issue further instructions, which will include expectations of students in relation to their work, whilst away from school.

As always, the information I am passing on to you is based on the information I am being sent by the government. You can view this information yourself here.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19>

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19/covid-19-travel-guidance-for-the-education-sector>

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-people-with-confirmed-or-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection>

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Yours sincerely

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