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'One school, learning together'

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Dear Parent/Carer

I am writing this letter very aware that the situation is changing rapidly.

### School Closure

At the moment the Government advice in the UK is for schools to stay **open**. However it may be necessary to close them in the future. This is based on the belief that "children are not as vulnerable to the effects of Coronavirus as adults".

As the advice is changing daily, our suggestion is that if you are in any doubt then go onto the 111 website.

There are things that we can do as a school to restrict the potential for any spread of the virus.

### Parental access inside the building

From this afternoon we are asking that children are dropped off in the morning and collected in the afternoons from the doorways for KS1 and the playground for KS2 and that parents/carers **do not** come into the building. Children can still go to the ICT suite to take their Quiz but without their parent / carer please.

The office area will remain open at the moment if you do need to speak to a member of staff.

Sports Fixtures these are cancelled but clubs will continue (including Breakfast and TeaTime clubs).

Parents Evenings are cancelled

FOBS Disco is cancelled

Y3 Trip to Delaware is ON. The current Government guidelines are that UK based trips can continue. We are the only school on the site and it is a fairly isolated setting with the staff



operating under the same restrictions as we are. Therefore, we haven't heard from them that it is cancelled. If this changes we will let you know immediately.

**Achievement Assemblies** are postponed. We will catch up with the celebration of your child's achievements later in the term.

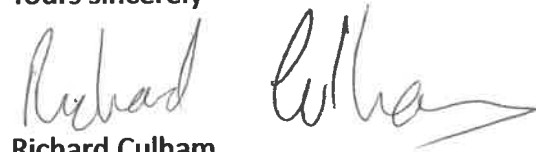
**School Work** – if we do close then we are investigating ways of getting work home to you for your child to complete. One way may well involve the use of email so please do let us know asap if your address has changed.

**Absence** – if your child is showing signs of illness including new persistent cough and/or high temperature then they should be kept off for a minimum of 7 days. If you need to keep your child home due to a suspected case within the family they will need to self-isolate for 14 days.

These are challenging times with very varied guidance and what there is is changing rapidly. While we await the next steps, please let me assure you that we are doing everything that we can to safeguard our children.

Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Richard Culham', written in black ink.

**Richard Culham**  
**Head Teacher**