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Dear Parents,

### **COVID-19 – General Update for Parents**

Now our school is closed, until further notice, I wanted to re-assure parents that we are still here to support you where we can, via email or our website. Worcestershire 'Here to Help' is also supportive, just visit;

<http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/coronavirus> there is a lot of information for you. <https://www.nhs.uk/oneyou/every-mind-matters/coronavirus-covid-19-staying-at-home-tips/>

Should you be self-isolating, there is a community response team in Honeybourne working hard to co-ordinate supplies. Unfortunately, the leaflets we attached to our newsletter on Thursday had an error in the phone number, the zero in the middle of the number should not be there. Please ring school if you are unsure and I will pass on your requests. We hope that with the supermarkets now limiting purchases, everyone will be able to get supplies of what you need.

During this really difficult time, there is a lot to enjoy still. Having time with your family, to do those little jobs around the house, do the garden, plant seeds and vegetables, decorate, chat and make up new games. There is a wealth of support on line; we have tried to put a lot of this in our newsletters, but if you find you need help keeping busy, staying calm etc PLEASE ring school or email and we will do our very best to get back to you and offer suggestions.

If we all take the advice given; self-isolate if you have symptoms (a new continuous cough, or fever), wash your hands for 20 seconds several times a day and maintain a social distance of 2 metres if you can, we should get through this and hopefully it will slow the spread of the virus until an antidote can be found.

Thank you for your understanding in our allocation of places at school. We have gone over the 10% suggested by the government, and even then we have had to say no to some families. It was a very difficult thing to do. **However, even those in a key role, with a school place, should keep their children at home if at all possible.** This is still the main advice. People in key positions are keeping our country going and we are proud to be able to support this massive effort to keep us all safe and healthy.

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I will send regular updates, via our website, to keep you involved. Remember to message, phone and talk to each other regularly. Being sociable is so important but we are going to have to learn to do this with a distance for now. Hearing a text 'buzz' into your phone could make all the difference to someone on their own, or someone in a front-line job under stress. So take time to think of others and keep yourselves safe and happy.

Take care and I will be in touch again soon,

Kindest regards,

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