

Dear Parents / Carers

Many of you are contacting the school seeking advice on self isolating, based upon what we heard from the Prime Minister yesterday afternoon. It is confusing, and we do need clarity. I am in receipt of daily updates from the government that provide clear guidance. As soon as this arrives later today I will email you all again. It appears that the advice will be for anyone in a household that has anyone exhibiting either a new, dry and continuous cough, or a temperature, should self isolate for 14 days. I will confirm this later.

Please understand that the school and its staff are working at absolute maximum capacity to ensure we run as normal, whilst at the same time making preparations for any potential future school closure. **We are simply unable to provide work for individual pupils who are not attending school.** If your child is in self isolation, please ask them to revise the work that they have already done this year or, if possible, to use any of the online forums they are already aware of and might have used as part of their normal routine here.

Additionally, you can see what your child will be working on in the Parents/Carers section of the website, under Curriculum. This has an overview of each department's work for the year.

Social Media

Due to increased social distancing measures coming into place over recent days this could lead to a larger amount of younger people having to self-isolate. We know that a large number of online safety issues occur when young people spend a lot of unsupervised time at home.

It is inevitable, and quite right, that young people will want to be online and stay in touch with their friends through this time. But it may also be worth reminding them of the risks of the online world and the importance of still managing their screen time.

We would suggest that you ensure privacy settings are in place and encourage conversation around reviewing use of screens. There is no 'one size fits all' , it's more about getting the balance right for your family's needs.

If you need further guidance, we recommend the following websites;

Internetmatters.org
Thinkuknow.co.uk
Saferinternet.org.uk
NSPCC.org.uk

Regards

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