

ACE – Academy for Character and Excellence Redhills Primary School Landhayes Road Exeter Devon EX4 2BY



Friday 13th March 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

Corona Virus

Following yesterday's announcement by the Prime Minster and senior medical advisors regarding the 'delay phase' for coronavirus, we would like to share further information about our response to the guidance given.

We continue to follow guidance from Public Health England, which advises that pupils should not come to school if they have <u>either</u> of the following symptoms:

- a high temperature
- a new continuous cough

Pupils who have these symptoms should stay at home for seven days. If pupils develop these symptoms during the school day, we will ask parents/carers to come in and collect their child.

Otherwise, the advice is that in order for the delay phase measures to be effective, all other pupils should attend school as usual.

In school, we are continuing to talk to the children about the importance of hygiene and washing their hands more frequently. This is being monitored and checked by adults working alongside the children. Strict cleaning practices are also in place in our school.

Breakfast and after school clubs will continue as planned. We are risk assessing school activities, and will minimize occasions for the children to come together in large groups. Please note that only staff and essential visitors that are integral to the running of the school will be admitted to the building from Monday 16th March.

It is important to note that we have been given no indication that our school, or schools in the area, are due to close.

We recognise that this situation is rapidly changing, so we are closely monitoring the situation and are in regular communication with Public Health England and the Local Authority and will continue to update you on changes as they happen. In the event of a future closure, we will advise via our school website, text service and social media. Please note we have plans in place to ensure that the children's learning and well-being will continue to be our priority.

Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely,

William Jaworski Headteacher