

# ASHFIELD VALLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Dear Parents and Carers,

I understand that there will be much concern about the Coronavirus situation. At this stage, I can confirm that the school has not received notification from a family, from staff or from Public Health England.

I am able to update you on our plans around the coronavirus situation.

- We are working closely with the council's schools team, who are taking guidance and advice from Public Health England and NHS England.
- National government guidance is that **all schools remain open**.
- New information for you to be aware of is that if your child has a new, continuous cough or a high temperature then they should stay at home for 7 days.
- Government advice is also that even if a parent / close relative of a child is confirmed as positive for the virus then the school still does not need to close. A risk assessment will take place and parents will be updated.
- We are continually sharing good hygiene habits with the children on hand washing and the 'catch it, bin it, kill it' strategy for coughs and sneezes and posters are clearly displayed around school.
- Extra cleaning procedures are in place in school.
- It is really important that we all stick to national advice and guidance. The most accurate and up to date information will be on the Government's website – [gov.uk/coronavirus](http://gov.uk/coronavirus)
- Please ensure we have your up to date contact details (email and text) to ensure we can continue to keep you informed remotely if required.
- We have plans in place in case we do close so that learning at home can continue. Children will be bringing their home log-ins home today so please keep these safe.
- The school website will be kept up to date with current information.

**Please note the following:**

- The RHE meeting about the year 5-6 curriculum will still go ahead on Wednesday the 18<sup>th</sup> March
- The puberty talk for Year 6 will still go ahead on Friday – we will let you know if this changes
- Parents' Evenings next week **will not** take place - we will tell you once a new date is arranged.

We are hoping that our school community remains infection free and will continue to monitor the situation and provide updates where necessary.

Kindest regards  
Mrs H Edge