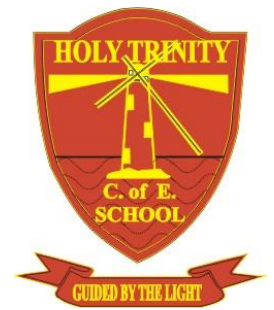


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Friday 20th March 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

Coronavirus: further guidance

We are now in a position to provide further guidance and clarification (some points are directly taken from Central Government documentation).

1. We regret to inform you that a close family member of one of our staff team has now tested **positive for COVID-19 (coronavirus)**. The staff member concerned is now self-isolating as per government recommendations - <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/self-isolation-advice/>.

2. The safest place for your child is at home.

'If children can stay safely at home, they should, to limit the chance of the virus spreading.' Government report.

3. Continued attendance at school is an emergency service for key workers with no other childcare arrangements. These key workers have been identified by Central Government (please see link below):

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-maintaining-educational-provision/guidance-for-schools-colleges-and-local-authorities-on-maintaining-educational-provision>

For those pupils attending next week there will be **no formal lessons**, but a structure of collaborative play, physical activity and quiet activities such as reading and colouring.

4. *'Parents should do everything they can to ensure children are not mixing socially in a way which can contribute to the spread of the virus. They should observe the same social distancing principles as adults.'*

Government report - <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-guidance-on-social-distancing-and-for-vulnerable-people/guidance-on-social-distancing-for-everyone-in-the-uk-and-protecting-older-people-and-vulnerable-adults>

Thank you for your patience and continued understanding at this uncertain and rapidly changing time.

Yours faithfully

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