



ASQUITH PRIMARY SCHOOL & NURSERY

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Dear Parents/Carers

As you will be aware the Government's intention is to keep schools open at the present time. We receive daily updates from the Government and Public Health England and are following their advice carefully to ensure that we are measured and pragmatic in our response. We would like to share with you some key headlines in order to support and inform you.

- **If your child develops a sudden, persistent cough and/or a high temperature (37.8 or above)** then you, as the parent/carer will need to make the decision to isolate them. It is extremely important that you make the distinction between the symptoms listed above, and the other symptoms that are linked to normal coughs and colds (sore throat, runny nose). These alone are NOT the symptoms of the coronavirus.
- **If your child develops a sudden, persistent cough and/or a high temperature**, you will need to inform School as soon as possible. We will also inform you should your child have these symptoms whilst in school.
- **If your child develops a sudden, persistent cough and/or a high temperature and it is necessary for you to isolate your child you must commit to this for a period of seven days.** This will be recorded as an authorised absence provided that you have informed school and have been clear about your reasons.
- **You will not then be able to bring your child back into school before the end of the seven-day period.**

In school, we are continuing to emphasise good hygiene and are ensuring that all children are washing their hands on a regular basis.

We will ensure that any changes contained within daily updates are communicated to you via letter or through the school app. Please ensure your contact details, held by school, are up to date.

In the event of staff absence, we have plans in place for cover to minimise disruption. Please be aware that staff may be absent for a number of reasons including being in a high risk category for infection.

Please check the app and the website regularly for updates. We recognise that this is a difficult time but we are committed to working together to support each other and support our children and community.

Yours sincerely

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Headteacher