



St. Oswald's Church of England Primary School

Dear Parent/Carer,

Tuesday 17th March 2020

Coronavirus (COVID-19)

At St. Oswald's CE Primary School, we take the health and safety of our pupils and staff very seriously and we wish to reassure you that measures are being taken in line with current advice from the England's Chief Medical Officer to protect children and staff.

As a school, we continue to promote good hand and respiratory hygiene and respectfully request that you support this at home too. Further advice and information can be found via this link. <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>

If your child or member of your family develop symptoms, the whole family need to stay at home for 14 days from the onset of their symptoms.

Symptoms to look out for are:

- high temperature - you feel hot to touch on your chest or back
- a new, continuous cough - this means you've started coughing repeatedly

Cleaning arrangements within the school have been further enhanced and regular checks of all toilets will ensure that there is soap available at every sink area throughout the day.

All school activities will be closely monitored and, where necessary, events and activities will be postponed or cancelled. We will, of course, communicate any decisions as they arise.

The following events have been cancelled or postponed so far:

- All swimming until further notice.
- All church events - mini church, communion. After school clubs (Ozzy's and Confirmation classes) and Experience Easter.
- All football matches have been postponed until further notice.
- The Chester Zoo rangers have cancelled their visit and this will be re-arranged.
- External staff training.
- Governors meetings postponed.
- Any external visitors to school will be restricted.

We will continue to liaise with the local authority regarding our response to the virus and will provide updates as and when they arise.

I would like to thank all those parents who have approached the school in a calm and reasonable manner. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation as we continue to work together to provide a safe environment for our school community.

Yours sincerely,

Miss E Murtagh
Headteacher

