



13 March 2020

All Parents/Carers

Dear Parents/Carers

Following the government's recent advice on the coronavirus situation, we are putting measures in place to protect both staff and pupils. We are taking seriously the risk of this virus and wish to reassure parents and communities that action is being taken and contingency plans are in place:-

- Five additional hand washing facilities will be available to all staff and pupils in school.
- Staff are working with pupils to ensure every child has an Edmodo code and will be able to access learning resources from home should there be the need for the school to close. Please check your child knows their log on details and is able to access the site. For anyone that does not have this facility, paper copies will be provided.
- I know this may be disappointing for families, but after careful consideration, the forthcoming parents evenings will be cancelled. Reports will be available next week. Once you receive your child's report, if you have any concerns/queries, please telephone or email the school on office@fairlandsmiddleschool.co.uk and your query will be passed to the appropriate teacher.
- We are closely monitoring the situation with our residential trips and will keep you updated.
- If your child shows the following symptoms and is absent, please telephone the school or leave a message on the absence line. They should remain at home for 7 days. The absence will be authorised. If your child comes into school and shows these symptoms, we will review the situation and may ask for them to be collected.
 - a new, continuous cough
 - a high temperature

This action will help to protect others in our community while they are infectious. The guidance states that you should not go to your GP surgery, pharmacy or hospital, or contact NHS 111 to tell them your child is at home. If the symptoms worsen during home isolation or are not better after 7 days, contact NHS 111 online. If you have no internet access, call NHS 111.

As the situation changes over the coming days and weeks, we will put regular information for parents/carers on the school web site.

Yours sincerely

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Safeguarding Children is everyone's responsibility.

If you are worried about any child please make an appointment to see either Helen Heffernan, Designated Safeguarding Lead or Robert Cooling, Felicity Grant, Sally Virgin, Designated Safeguarding Deputies
Alternatively, you can phone NPSCC: 0808 800 5000 Somerset Direct: 0300 123 2224