



Developing Potential without Limitations

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Coronavirus update

The Governors and the Leadership Team of the school have been monitoring the situation, with regards to the spread of the Coronavirus, very carefully indeed. As you will have seen from the communications from the school, we are following the advice from the Government and specifically the Department for Education. The most pertinent advice at the moment, from the Department for Health and Social Care, is that all people who show symptoms should stay at home for 7 days, regardless of whether they have travelled to affected areas. This means that people should remain at home and avoid all but essential contact with others for 7 full days, from the point of displaying mild symptoms. This is to slow the spread of infection.

The symptoms are:

- a high temperature (37.8 degrees and above) and/or
- a new, continuous cough

In order to support the 'delay' approach of the Government to the spread of the virus, we have taken the decision to postpone a number of scheduled school activities, to reduce the risk of students, parents, carers and staff contracting and spreading the Coronavirus.

Therefore, the following activities have been postponed or cancelled until further notice:

- Volunteer readers and any other volunteering in school
- Choir participation in Energize! 2020 Thursday 19th and Saturday 21st March
- Geology Day KS2 Monday 23rd March – As yet TBC
- School Council participation in the #sustainable Marlow Conference Thursday 26th March
- Yr 3&4 club sport festival Friday 27th March
- Owls Class Assembly Friday 27th March
- Workshare and PTA cake sale Friday 27th March
- Celebration Assembly Thursday 2nd April – postponed until return to school after Easter
- Lent service Friday 3rd April – This will not be open to the community and will be for the pupils and staff only in the school hall.

Online Learning

With a number of children at home, we would like to address the requests for home learning. At this point as we are caught between reduced staffing capacity and still having to operate as 'normal', we are not in a position to supply home learning tasks. In the event of an early closure of the school for Easter, the staff are preparing online teaching and learning resources for the pupils, and our Yr 2 and Yr 6 pupils will receive a SATs revision pack. Any pupils who are currently absent can access their online learning at any time and, if they feel well enough, could do some individual research on their class topic or a topic of their choice.

Attendance Letters

The Health and Safety Governors and I have also taken the decision to suspend all attendance monitoring letters in light of the virus and the need for our community to self-isolate where necessary without being



worried about attendance figures. However, we ask that, in the case of student absence, all parents and carers leave very clear messages explaining why their child is off school. This will enable us to continue to assess any risk to other children and staff in the school.

After School Clubs

Art club on Tuesday will be cancelled for the rest of term.

Club Sport have confirmed that they intend to continue clubs unless there is a change in guidance.

We are currently trying to contact our other club providers to establish whether they will continue to run after school this week and next. We will update parents as soon as possible with any cancellations or changes.

Frieth Falcons Wraparound Care

Frieth Falcons will run as normal assuming that we have the staff to cover the facility.

Please be assured that we will continue to follow the DfE guidance for educational settings and any further updates from the government, so that we can manage this unprecedented situation as best we can for the safeguarding of our families and our wider community.

Yours sincerely



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