

SWINDON VILLAGE PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Dear Parents,

RE: CORONAVIRUS – Further Updates



Please click on the link to watch the Government's latest update.

In summary the key messages as announced by the Prime Minister are;

- If one person in any household has a **persistent cough** or **fever, everyone living there must stay at home for 14 days**. Those people should, if possible, avoid leaving the house "even to buy food or essentials" - but they may leave the house "for exercise and, in that case, at a safe distance from others"
- After 14 days, anyone you live with who does not have the symptoms can return to their normal routine. **But, if anyone else in your home gets symptoms, they should stay at home for 14 days from the day their symptoms start. Even if it means they're at home for longer than 14 days.**
- Schools will not be closed for the moment

Further updates for Swindon Village Primary School

- Due to staffing demands, ALL School led clubs will be cancelled from today – Tuesday 17th March
- All Year 6 SATs Before & After School Booster groups will be cancelled from today – Tuesday 17th March
- There are a few members of staff who have, in-light of the update, had to self-isolate for 14 days. **No Staff member is showing any signs or symptoms**, however someone within their immediate family is. Please can I stress that if your child is not showing the clear symptoms then school is the best place for them. This will allow you to continue with your normal routines and also keeps structure and 'normality' to your child's day.
- **Home-Learning during self-isolation and/or school closure**
→ Each Year Group has already put together an online home learning document for your children to use. This was emailed to you yesterday....we are just double checking the links.

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- For those families with limited internet and/or devices we will be preparing paper Home Learning Booklets to ensure Home-Learning is taking place should there be a need to close before the summer holidays. These take time and will hopefully be ready next week.
- **Class Blogs** will be used to upload additional work should there be a closure for a long period of time...however, please be mindful that a lot of my staff also have families...family and health and well-being comes first.
- With the growing uncertainty surrounding mass school closures structure to your child's home learning is vitally important. To this end we have put together a suggested daily plan.

Rough timings	Activity	Additional Information
Before 9am	Wake up 😊	Eat breakfast, make your bed, get dressed, put PJ's away
9:00 – 10:00	Morning Walk	Family walk in open spaces or something active if too wet...Just Dance (You Tube, Super movers...etc)
10:00 – 11:00	Academic Time	NO ELECTRONICS.... unless online learning please Set a-side a dedicated space for this, no TV on in the background
11:00 – 12:00	Creative Time	Lego, drawing, crafting, play music, cook/bake...etc
12:00	Lunch	Make sure all the family help in some way to prepare the meal
12:30	Chore Time – being generally helpful 😊	A – Wipe all kitchen works surfaces and chairs B – Wipe all door handles, light switches and desk tops, C - Wipe all bathrooms – sinks and toilets
1:00 – 2:00	Quiet Time	Reading, Puzzle.....keeping mind active...no electronics though
2:00 – 3:00	Academic Time	Electronics ok – online educational games/site
3:00 – 4:00	Afternoon fresh air	Bikes, Walk, Play outside, family time
5:00 – 6:00	Dinner	Make sure all the family help in some way to prepare the meal
6:00 – 8:00	Free TV time	Time to relax and unwind... 😊
8:00 – 9:00	Bedtime or family chill out time	All children who continue to follow a daily structure and have good sleep patterns will have sharper minds and be healthier

Contact Details

- Please make sure we have your correct email address and mobile numbers. If you are not receiving any information, then it is likely we do not have your most up to date contact details.

Once again, many thanks for your anticipated co-operation and understanding. I'm sure that if we all continue to work together to **delay and minimise** the spread of the coronavirus we will come through this tricky time stronger and more united than ever.



Mr. Mills - Head Teacher

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