PRIMET PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

As you will be aware the country is experiencing difficulties with the Coronavirus and this may affect school with possible closures or children staying off school with illness in the future. I would like to state that school remains open and measures have been put into place to minimise the risk to all the children and staff at school. We will make every effort for school to remain open and we will not close unless authorised by central government or the local authority. We feel it is very important for children to come to school everyday to give them the best education and maintain a daily routine where they feel safe and secure.

However, as a school we have made contingency plans for every eventuality. These will only take place when we have official direction from the authorities. We get daily updates from the Department of Education and as a school we are following their direction. In the meantime **the school remains open as normal**.

From yesterday the following advice about illness must be followed.

Illness.

• Children with a cold or respiratory illness: It is recommended that children with any sort of illness are to stay off school for 7 days. If anyone at home is experiencing any symptoms for the Coronavirus please follow the advice attached. This will require you to check with the 111 NHS helpline for advice. If yourself or any body in your household contracts the Coronavirus you and your family are to self isolate for 14 days and please contact school so we can make arrangements. This absence will not affect your child's attendance record.

School Closure.

 This will be a last resort and the decision for this will be made by the local authority or central government. In this case, the children will not attend school for the required period. In the event that school closes, children should then look at the school website. On the class pages the staff have provided work for the children which will keep them busy for the period whilst they are off school. We cannot know how long this period will be but we have created work for a 3 week period. This includes Maths, English, topic and some SAT papers for year 2 and Year 6. The work will only be posted on line once the decision to close has been made.

As a school we hope closure will not be necessary, however we feel it is prudent to be prepared.

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Thankyou for your continued support. It is important that we continue to move forward in a way that minimizes distress and anxiety and supports all members of our school community.

Yours sincerely

Christopher Holmes Head teacher

Continuation of learning Plan if school closure for a prolonged period

Please see class pages on the school website. www.primet.lancs.sch.uk

https://www.primet.lancs.sch.uk/page/?title=Class+Curriculum&pid=25

Home > Our Learning > Class Curriculum

Class Curriculum

At Primet, we aim to offer a curriculum that is rich and exciting. We follow the Statutory Framework for the Early Years Foundation Stage in Reception Class and the New Curriculum from Year One to Year Six.

Teachers link together the skills and knowledge the pupils are required to learn into 'themes' or 'topics' which makes the learning more relevant and real for the children. Topics include learning taken from the relevant curriculum but are tailored to reflect the needs and interests of each class.

For further information about the learning that is taking place in each class, visit the class pages where the teachers post the details of the current class topic.



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NHS Advice on the Coronavirus Stay at home if you have coronavirus symptoms

Stay at home for 7 days if you have either:

- a high temperature
- a new, continuous cough

Do not go to a GP surgery, pharmacy or hospital.

You do not need to contact 111 to tell them you're staying at home. Read our <u>advice about staying</u> <u>at home</u>.

Urgent advice: Use the NHS 111 online coronavirus service if:

- you feel you cannot cope with your symptoms at home
- your condition gets worse
- your symptoms do not get better after 7 days

Use the 111 coronavirus online service

Only call 111 if you cannot get help online.

How coronavirus is spread

Because it's a new illness, we do not know exactly how coronavirus spreads from person to person.

Similar viruses are spread in cough droplets.

It's very unlikely it can be spread through things like packages or food.

How to avoid catching or spreading coronavirus

Do

- wash your hands with soap and water often do this for at least 20 seconds
- always wash your hands when you get home or into work
- use hand sanitiser gel if soap and water are not available
- cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your sleeve (not your hands) when you cough or sneeze
- put used tissues in the bin immediately and wash your hands afterwards
- try to avoid close contact with people who are unwell

Don't

• do not touch your eyes, nose or mouth if your hands are not clean

Treatment for coronavirus

There is currently no specific treatment for coronavirus.

Antibiotics do not help, as they do not work against viruses.

Treatment aims to relieve the symptoms while your body fights the illness.

You'll need to stay in isolation, away from other people, until you have recovered.

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