



This is a joint communication for Parents and Carers who have children attending Knights Enham Junior School and Knights Enham Nursery and Infant School.

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Government advice concerning Covid-19/Coronavirus is changing rapidly and as the situation evolves we would like to keep you up to date concerning the position of the Knights Enham Schools.

We continue to follow the advice from the DfE, which is updated daily and we are monitoring the situation carefully.

Current information tells us that:

- If one person in a household presents with symptoms then everyone living in the house will need to isolate for 14 days. This means that they should avoid leaving the house even for essentials.
- Social contact and unnecessary travel should be avoided.
- Schools are to remain open for the present time.

What this looks like at the Knights Enham Schools:

- **If you or anyone in your household has symptoms** (fever 37.8+, dry cough, breathing difficulties) then **please keep your child/children at home for the 14 day period and the whole household must self-isolate**. A phone call into school to inform us is sufficient notice.
- The advice on social distancing has meant that we will **not be inviting parents to the Friday celebration assemblies until future notice** and other meetings and events **will be** cancelled or postponed.
- **The schools will remain open whilst they have sufficient staff to safely operate or until instructed by the Government to close**. Either school may have to make short notice decisions about closing year groups or classes depending on staff availability. Please ensure we have updated contact details for you and keep an eye on the school websites and text/email service.
- **We will continue to promote the hygiene messages** and encourage children to wash their hands regularly and promote the use of tissues. The cleaning regime in the schools has been stepped up to ensure that all 'touch points' in the school are regularly cleaned.

Further information is available from:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/topical-events/coronavirus-covid-19-uk-government-response>
www.nhs.uk/coronavirus

The Department for Education coronavirus helpline is available to answer questions about COVID-19 relating to education and children's social care. Staff, parents and young people can contact this helpline as follows: 0800 046 8687 8am-6pm Monday to Friday.

Thank you for your ongoing support with this difficult situation, we will keep you informed if the situation changes.

Yours sincerely,

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