

Roskear Primary and Nursery School

Learning together for a better future

Tuesday 17th March 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

Thank you for your support and patience at this extremely uncertain time. The school will remain open until we are formally asked to close by the Department For Education or we cannot staff the safe supervision of children. Please see the latest guidance released last night:

We are advising those who are at increased risk of severe illness from coronavirus (COVID-19) to be particularly stringent in following social distancing measures.

This group includes those who are:

- aged 70 or older (regardless of medical conditions)
- under 70 with an underlying health condition listed below (i.e. anyone instructed to get a flu jab as an adult each year on medical grounds):
- chronic (long-term) respiratory diseases, such as [asthma](#), [chronic obstructive pulmonary disease \(COPD\)](#), emphysema or [bronchitis](#)
- chronic heart disease, such as [heart failure](#)
- [chronic kidney disease](#)
- chronic liver disease, such as [hepatitis](#)
- chronic neurological conditions, such as [Parkinson's disease](#), [motor neurone disease](#), [multiple sclerosis \(MS\)](#), a learning disability or cerebral palsy
- [diabetes](#)
- problems with your spleen – for example, [sickle cell](#) disease or if you have had your spleen removed
- a weakened immune system as the result of conditions such as [HIV and AIDS](#), or medicines such as [steroid tablets](#) or [chemotherapy](#)
- being seriously overweight (a BMI of 40 or above)
- those who are pregnant

Full advice here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-guidance-on-social-distancing-and-for-vulnerable-people/guidance-on-social-distancing-for-everyone-in-the-uk-and-protecting-older-people-and-vulnerable-adults>

With the situation as it is, we are responding every day to required staffing changes due to staff absence and ask that you be patient and understanding at this time. Please be assured that these changes are made to ensure that all our children receive the very best learning and provision we can provide at this time.

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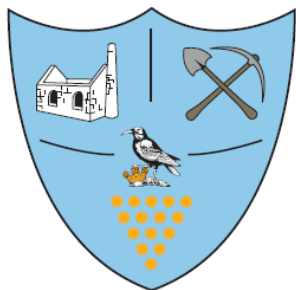
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All teachers are working on learning packs that we will give to you or post to you in the event of early closure. If we are not instructed to close before Easter, you will receive these packs on the last day of term. There will be 2 weeks worth of learning to start after the 2 week Easter holiday **for if** we are advised to remain closed. It is our intention to keep learning going should the country be asked to stay at home. We will be publishing additional learning on our website and more information will come out in due course.

Please see below for further guidance, from today:

Please don't be offended but we will no longer let visitors or parents into the building without invitation

There will be no clubs after school from next week – this includes homework club – please collect at normal time (3.15pm for main school and 3.30pm for Nursery and Pre-school)

ALL visits/trips/camps in April and up to May half term will be postponed and all money paid will be refunded to you asap. This means that with regret Porthpean Camp for Year 4 has been cancelled.

We will undertake Easter bingo with the children during the school day between now and Friday at no cost.

Changes to where packed lunches will be eaten may occur, for example, KS2 children are likely to be eating in classrooms (every child will wash their hands prior to eating and tables will be sanitised).

REMINDER:

If you or any member of your family has NEW symptoms, a cough and/or a temperature then please self-isolate the whole family for 2 weeks.

If you have a **confirmed** case of Coronavirus then please inform the school immediately.

We will do our very best to keep you informed as we get guidance. Please look out for communications from school via text message or the school website.

With all best wishes to you and your family,

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