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Dear Parent/Carer,

The announcement from the Government (18.3.2020) that Schools will close on Friday (20.03.2020) will not apply to our school. We will continue to monitor daily announcements made by the Government, follow any advice given and keep you informed.

The Government made it clear that schools should make a provision for pupils with EHCP's, those whose family members are key workers and those who are vulnerable. Pennine View will remain open as long as we have the resource to ensure the safety of our pupils.

The guidance around self-isolation including household isolation and social distancing due to underlying health needs has not changed.

Please continue to wash your hands as a precaution.

If staff think your child has a cough or high temperature you will be asked to collect them from school.

It is very important that you do not send your child to school if they have a new persistent cough or a high temperature over 38 degrees.

If any member of the family has a persistent cough or a high temperature over 38 degrees you will ALL need to isolate for 14 days as a family.

If you decide to keep your child at home during this uncertain time you will need to be clear about the reason:

- due to showing symptoms of Coronavirus and therefore self-isolating
- a household member has symptoms and therefore the all members need to self-isolate
- due to general seasonal illness
- due to your child's underlying health risk (if this is the case we will phone home each day because of our attendance systems).

If your child falls into one of the following categories and you wish to keep them at home we will mark their attendance as 'exceptional -agreed'

It is looking increasingly likely that school will need to provide a flexible provision in order to ensure the safety of our pupils. As I cannot guarantee that your child's usual staff team will be in school we will need to create classes on a day by day basis and then build an appropriate school day dependent on the staffing available. Our main priority will be to ensure your child is safe.



Lastly, if your child is eligible for free school meals and is absent from school due to sickness, self-isolation or reduced provision please can I ask that you contact school if you require additional support to feed your child. School are working with the Local Authority to put support packages in place.

My thoughts are with all our families at this extremely difficult time.

Thank you for your continued support

Yours sincerely,

S. Mulhall

Sarah Mulhall - Headteacher