Tuesday 17th March 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

Coronavirus Update

As many of you will have seen on the news last night, the Government and Public Health England have tightened controls with regards to Coronovirus. Last night, they announced that if a child or anyone in their family has a new cough or high temperature (37.8C) the whole family should isolate themselves for 14 days. Children who were absent yesterday with these symptoms have been contacted today and told that they, their siblings and their parents should all stay at home for 14 days. Any children displaying symptoms in school will be sent home, with siblings if appropriate and expected to follow the same advice.

At Boarshaw Primary, we are continuing to follow the advice from Public Health England carefully and as such we are expected to remain open at this present time. We are however, organising work packs for children in the event that we are directed to close and looking into possible options to offer lunches during a period of closure.

In the meantime, we continue to advise children to:

* Wash your hands regularly with hot soapy water for 20 seconds, particularly after eating or blowing your nose/ sneezing.
* Use tissues when coughing/ blowing nose/ sneezing and throw them away immediately after use.

And continue to have a proactive approach to cleaning around school.

Up to date advice and guidance can be found at:

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/coronavirus>

Kind regards

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