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Dear Parent/Carer,

**COVID-19 Updates – March 18<sup>th</sup>**

I need to again emphasise that as far as we are aware, we have had no confirmed cases within the school community. However, we already have a significant number of students and staff who are self-isolating and this is increasing daily and putting a strain on our ability to maintain a working school environment.

As a parent/carer of a child in the school please continue to make an individual risk assessment for your child and to then decide whether you would like to send them into school. We have been working closely with the LA and other special school settings and would ask you to consider the following underlying conditions when completing a risk assessment;

- Asthma or any respiratory needs.
- Low immune system.
- Neuro developmental conditions (epilepsy) that may result in respiratory complications.
- Heart disease/conditions.
- Diabetes.

We have made this decision based on the guidance regarding vulnerable groups and social distancing.

**As of Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March, the following classes will be closed as a result of staff absence, and remain closed until after the Easter break;**

- **Nursery**
- **Knole**
- **Puffin**
- **Wakehurst**
- **Hummingbird**
- **Kingfisher**

Other classes will remain open but may be combined with other class groups. There will be no swimming or hydrotherapy from today and we will continue to review the situation on daily basis.

Thank you in advance for your support.

Yours sincerely,



Scott Jarred

Headteacher