

St. Anne's C.E. (VC) Primary School

"Together with God, Making Learning a Life Long Friend"

18th March 2020 – 10.30 a.m.

FOR THE ATTENTION OF THE PERSON WITH PARENTAL RESPONSIBILITY

RE : CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

I am writing to keep you updated regarding St Anne's CE Primary School and how we are managing the current Coronavirus situation.

On Monday, I wrote to you to express that the updated guidance, following the Prime Minister's speech, could affect school staffing. It has, and a number of staff cannot now attend. As a result, there may be some changes to the personnel that teach the children. We aim to keep changes to a minimum and only when absolutely necessary. We are still very well-staffed at the moment and lessons are continuing as normally as possible, but please be prepared that we could not cope if the situation worsened and staffing levels decreased dramatically.

If we close completely as a school, we have a contingency plan ready to move to home learning. You will receive a weekly email outlining learning for your child and this will also be posted on the website. Depending on notice, children will bring home learning packs. However, this is not a sign that school closures are imminent, we are just being prepared. At the moment we are doing the best we can in the circumstances and we **remain open**.

I would like to confirm that the change in staffing has not resulted from a wave of illness in school.

A number of families have decided to self-isolate following the guidance and should this be the case please rest assure that this is an authorised absence.

We are also looking at options in how to provide children who qualify for Free School Meals, meals in the event they are self-isolating or the closure of the school.

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Qualifying families will be contacted. Please note this does not apply to universal free school meals.

In the meantime, the school is the hub of the community. If we can offer any assistance to anyone - families or local residents, please get in touch with school office on 01782 503102 or office@st-annes-browndedge.staffs.sch.uk

Please note that in the event of a School closure the office email will be monitored closely and where possible we will respond to your urgent questions/concerns.

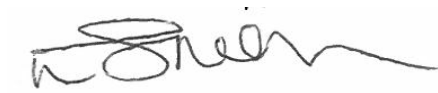
This is a dynamic situation with many pressures, which is changing daily. Please continue to support us as the pressures, and our response, changes.

As I am sure you will appreciate, we are currently dealing with a complex and rapidly changing situation.

My first priority is the health and safety of the pupils and staff in our school. Now, more than ever, this remains our primary focus.

Thank you for your continued support in these challenging circumstances.

Yours sincerely,



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