

As I'm sure you will appreciate, we are currently dealing with a complex and rapidly changing situation. My first priority will always be the health and safety of the pupils and staff in our school. Now more than ever, this remains our primary focus.

Already, in school, we have:

- increased cleaning activities
- talked to the children about the importance of hand hygiene
- Insisted that pupils wash their hands during the day
- talked to the children about the coronavirus and discussed any worries they may have – this has included using 'child friendly' resources, videos, leaflets.
- acted upon advice from the Government
- kept up to date with information provided by the DfE, Cheshire West Council and the teaching unions
- we have produced a 'coronavirus action plan' and that has been shared with staff and governors

This is an entirely unprecedented situation and we are following official advice from the government and the NHS. This advice is being added to on a daily basis and we are monitoring and responding to that as it is published.

This official advice will underpin all the actions we take.

Whilst I appreciate that there will be a wide range of different views about how we should be responding and what action should be taken, I hope you will appreciate that I am duty bound to follow the official advice from government.

What can parents/carers do to help

1. Make sure that school has up-to-date contact details for **TWO people** e.g. a parent and grand-parent, both parents.. please send names, the pupils name and contact details to: admin@nestonpri.cheshire.sch.uk
2. Keep children at home if they have a new cough and/or a high temperature
3. Inform school if you are keeping children off school to 'self-isolate' or if they are ill
4. **Do not send children to school if they are ill.**
5. DO NOT give children medicine and 'pack them off to school' or 'to get them through the day'
6. **If children have had sickness or diarrhoea, they should not return to school for 48 hours after symptoms have ended.**
7. Keep an eye on our Facebook page for the latest news and updates
8. REMEMBER that our school telephone number will be displayed as **0845 148 0600** – please don't ignore this number if it is displayed on your phone.
9. **PLEASE! Don't take every comment you see on social media as 'gospel' or fact. Speak to school staff if you see or read anything regarding school/s that has not come "from the horse's mouth"**
10. At the moment, clubs and most activities will continue as normal

• IF YOU HAVE TO GIVE YOUR CHILD PANADOL OR NUROFEN FOR A FEVER TODAY, THEY SHOULD STAY AT HOME TOMORROW.

• IF YOUR CHILD HAS A HARD COUGH, CONSTANT RUNNY NOSE, SORE THROAT OR SWOLLEN GLANDS THEY SHOULD NOT BE AT SCHOOL TOMORROW.

• IF YOU HAVE GIVEN THEM PANADOL OR NUROFEN IN THE MORNING TO GET THEM 'THROUGH THE DAY', THEN THEY SHOULD NOT COME TO SCHOOL.

• IF YOUR CHILD HAS VOMITING AND/OR HAS DIARRHOEA TODAY, THEY SHOULD NOT COME TO SCHOOL FOR 48 HOURS AFTER SYMPTOMS HAVE RESOLVED.

PLEASE, PLEASE DO NOT SEND YOUR SICK, STILL RECOVERING FROM ILLNESS OR FEVERISH CHILD BACK TO SCHOOL TOO EARLY.
LET'S STOP THE SPREAD OF GERMS TOGETHER.