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COVID-19 (Coronavirus)

Dear Parents,

We are writing to keep you informed and updated about the spread of the Covid-19 Coronavirus. You may well have heard that St Mary's Primary School in Tetbury is currently closed because a teacher has tested positive for the virus, having returned from a holiday in Italy. A second person in Tetbury has also tested positive. Two pupils at Malmesbury School (Secondary) have been placed in self-isolation. This has been carried out as a precautionary measure only. They are currently well and neither pupil has been diagnosed as having contracted the virus to date. I have attached a copy of the letter which the secondary school is sending out today.

There is no suggestion that any of our pupils or staff have contracted the virus, but we have taken a number of precautions in school, which I would like to inform you of:

- 1) We are following government guidance to schools regarding pupils returning from foreign holidays.
- 2) Posters around the school remind children of good hygiene rules, with the phrase 'Catch it Bin it Kill it'. You can see a copy of the poster here.
- 3) All children have been taught how to wash their hands correctly. This was done in assembly this morning.
- 4) The children regularly wash their hands, but we will emphasise the importance of this.
- 5) We are carrying out extra cleaning of handles, taps etc. throughout the school day.
- 6) We are in contact with other local schools to share information and coordinate our approach.

We continue to closely follow government guidance in this fast-changing situation. If any cases were confirmed in our community then we would be working under the direct guidance of Public Health officials, but for the time being we are following national guidance.

Please could we ask you to help us in the following ways:

- 1) Reinforce the hygiene rules, including good hand washing, with your children at home.
- 2) Notify us if you or your family have had any contact, direct or through a third party, with someone who has tested positive.
- 3) Notify us if you return from a Zone 1 or Zone 2 area.
- 4) The following videos are an excellent way of sharing information with children:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mOV1aBVYKGA&t=19s
https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/51342366

Best Wishes,

Mr Cook