

# Whitefield Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers

## RE. WHITEFIELD PLANNING FOR CORONAVIRUS

Well, it was a rare thing for many of us last night spending the evening watching and listening to Boris Johnson! What a very unique situation we are all in. As a result of yesterday's information and the information that is coming in on a daily basis from the Department for Education, I wanted to outline to you some of the work and planning we are doing in school to ensure we can keep our school open.

Firstly, parents' evening next week will be cancelled and rearranged for after the Easter holidays. Should you need to speak to your child's teacher prior to the Easter break, please telephone (01772 744449) and/or email school ([admin@whitefield-pri.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:admin@whitefield-pri.lancs.sch.uk)) and the class teacher will arrange a mutually convenient telephone conversation with you.

Secondly, school is limiting visitors coming in to the building. We are continuing to work with essential agencies and teams who provide support for individual children, however non-emergency meetings have been postponed until further notice.

Finally, we have arranged for a cleaning company to come in to school on Tuesday morning to do a deep clean to ensure we are free from all the bugs and germs that we have around at the moment, not just coronavirus. This will take place before school starts and will be completed prior to our 8.50am opening. ***It will, however mean that we will not be able to run BOLA on Tuesday morning and BOLA parents are asked to ensure alternative arrangements are made for that morning.*** Your account will be credited for this session.

We have contingency plans already in place should schools in England be closed in the future. Please ensure you access our school APP, your emails, Facebook and the school website for information and use your parent whatsapp group to ensure everyone is kept in the loop regarding our school messages.

The news yesterday regarding 'self-isolation' has been met with some challenges and conflict. Please ensure you read the advice that is being produced carefully. As we all know, we usually have lots of bugs and germs around at this time of year so it's important to make sure you check your symptoms against those of the coronavirus. This bbc news page is very informative. <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/health-51048366>

Thank you as always for your support – I will continue to communicate with you as soon as new information is received in school.

Sarah Foster

Headteacher