



The Dove Federation



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Dear Parents/carers

Following on from this afternoon's latest guidance from the Government I am writing to you regarding the latest measures that we will be putting into place.

As of today, all members of a household, where one family member is self-isolating due to either a high temperature or new persistent cough will also need to isolate. The period of this isolation has been increased from 7 days to 14 days from the first symptom.

This afternoon I also received further clarification regarding authorising absence for families who wish to self-isolate but who are not currently experiencing any symptoms. If you are worried that your child has a pre-existing medical condition or someone in the family home has increased vulnerability, as outlined by the Government, that puts them at increased risk please contact me at either Parker's or Caston to discuss how we can support them during this challenging time.

We understand that this is a worrying time for all families and we will continue to update you as and when we have information to provide.

Many thanks to you all for maintaining a sensible and measured approach. We will continue to follow the advice for PHE and central government and will inform you of any changes as they occur.

Kind regards

Mrs Disney