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Dear Parents and Carers,

Please find an update regarding Co-vid 19: 'signs and symptoms – what to do' and preparation for possible school closures'.

At the time of writing this to you the advice and guidance from the DfE (Department for Education) and HPE (Health Protection England) remains in place and is being followed. As a school, we receive a daily update and have a dedicated schools' number to contact for school related information.

On the 12th March 2020 the government moved into the delay phase and asked that people with either a high temperature and/or a new persistent cough to self-isolate for seven days, regardless of whether they have travelled abroad or not. Please ensure that your family are adhering to this advice. The school would be grateful if you could make us aware if any child or family members begin to experience any of the above symptoms.

Please be assured that we will inform you, as soon as possible, of any future updates regarding symptoms and related advice.

More information can be found at:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19>

Preparation for Closure

The current guidance states that schools should remain open. However, this situation could change as we progress through the next few weeks. If we are informed to close, we will use ParentPay, our school website and Class Dojo as our first point of communication and will give you as much notice as is practically possible.

In the event of a school closure, if necessary, you can contact the school as normal. The school email: office@northborough.peterborough.sch.uk will be regularly monitored during office hours and emails directed to the correct member of staff to respond. Please allow up to 48 hours for a response.

We have set up a new email address: emergency@northborough.peterborough.sch.uk for any Safeguarding, bereavement, confirmed cases of Covid-19 or urgent action required. **(Note: This will only be activated if the school closes).**

Please use the office email address for non-emergency concerns or Covid-19 updates.

If the school has to close, we will ensure you are kept up to date via ParentPay on any latest news regarding the school re-opening. We are also putting systems into place to enable your child/ren to

access and continue learning the curriculum from home. More information on how children will access learning from home will follow in the coming days.

If there are any concerns regarding the school site Mr Jon Taylor can be contacted on: 07799 376478 for any emergencies.

We appreciate that this may be a worrying time for families, and we will inform you if and when we have further information. It will require all of us to adapt and adjust to whatever is imposed upon us.

Thank you very much for your patience, consideration and co-operation at this time.

Yours sincerely

Mr Mallott

Department for Education Coronavirus helpline

- This helpline has been set up to answer questions about the virus related to education. Staff, parents and young people can contact the helpline.
- Phone: 0800 046 8687
- Email: DfE.coronavirushelpline@education.gov.uk
- Opening hours: 8am to 6pm (Monday to Friday)

If you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mr Mallott', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Mr Mallott

Headteacher

