

# Hethersett Woodside Primary & Nursery School



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Dear Parents

In the light of advice from government and Public Health England (PHE) we want to assure you that we are responding to Covid-19 in a sensible and measured way.

If your child or anyone in your family home is showing signs of illness, specifically

- a high temperature
- a new, continuous cough

then the advice from the NHS is to stay at home and self-isolate for 14 days.

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

Any absence due to this illness will be authorised.

Where a pupil's parent/guardian refuses to send them to school, the pupil will be recorded as unauthorised absence in the attendance register.

If you have think you might have the Covid-19 please go to

<https://111.nhs.uk/covid-19>

Current guidance for those needing to self-isolate can be found at

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

You should:

- try to keep at least 2 metres (3 steps) from other people in your home, particularly older people or those with long-term health conditions
- ask friends and family and delivery services to deliver things like food shopping and medicines – but avoid contact with them
- sleep alone if possible
- regularly wash your hands with soap and warm water for at least 20 seconds
- try to stay away from older people and those with long-term health conditions
- drink plenty of water and take everyday painkillers, such as paracetamol and ibuprofen, to help with your symptoms



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Children in school must have their own water bottles as the water fountains will be out of operation. Children in Nursery and preschool will continue to use the cups provided but these will be sterilized or put through the dishwasher after use.

All classes will have boxes of tissues available. These will be used and binned. Cleaning staff will empty these daily as well as cleaning and sanitising door handles etc.

## Vulnerable group

- If you as a parent, fall into the category of “Vulnerable Group” please speak to the office staff to see how we can support.
- If you are pregnant we are suggesting that you don’t bring your child during the busiest times to school – again speak to the office staff regarding drop off later and pick up earlier.

## Our next steps in school

New practices and protocols we ask that we all develop social distancing at this time;

We need to reduce and limit the number of people entering and coming onto site and therefore the following restrictions will come into force from Wednesday morning.

- Parents to avoid coming into school via main office for queries please ring school on 01603 810674.
- Children who come through the main entrance to be dropped off at the door; office staff will meet children there.
- All parents to leave children at the class door – if you need to speak to the teacher please phone the office on 01603 810674 or speak to the adult on the classroom door.
- Non-essential visitors will not come on site. This includes our wonderful volunteers; we will keep in touch for the future. We are so grateful for your time. School professionals will still be attending such a therapists and social workers.

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.

Yours sincerely  
Angela Jermy  
Head

