

# Meadow Vale Primary School

Headteacher: Mrs Catherine Forrester

Moordale Avenue, Bracknell, Berkshire RG42 1SY

Tel: 01344 421046

Email: [secretary@meadowvaleprimary.com](mailto:secretary@meadowvaleprimary.com) [www.meadowvaleprimary.co.uk](http://www.meadowvaleprimary.co.uk)



Making the difference .... together

13<sup>th</sup> March 2020

Dear Parents/Carers

As you will be aware, the government issued new advice last night. This can be found at:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-people-with-confirmed-or-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection>.

For school, this means if your child has symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19), however mild, they must stay at home and not leave the house for 7 days from when their symptoms started. These symptoms are:

- new continuous cough (defined by local Public Health as a continuous cough that doesn't stop throughout the day), and/or high temperature
- high temperature (a normal temperature for children is around 36.4C)

The NHS advice is to self-isolate for 7 days and not to go to a GP surgery, pharmacy or hospital. You do not need to contact 111 to tell them you're staying at home. The NHS website provides tips for staying at home should you find yourself needing to self-isolate.

Unless otherwise advised by Public Health England, only the family member who is self-isolating or has a diagnosis needs to self-isolate. Other family members are still expected to attend school.

There has also been a change in travel advice. The Foreign and Commonwealth Office (FC) against all but essential travel to the regions that the Spanish Ministry of Health have designated as areas of community transmission of coronavirus. These are as follows:

- Madrid and La Rioja;
- The municipalities of La Bastida and Vitoria and;
- Miranda de Ebro

For further travel advice in relation to coronavirus please see the following link:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/travel-advice-novel-coronavirus>

You will be aware that the government has advised all school to cancel trips abroad. Where this impacts on individual children, we will be in contact.

We will continue to keep you updated.

Yours Sincerely,

Mrs C Forrester  
Headteacher

