



17<sup>th</sup> March 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

Further to my message yesterday and in response to the information presented by our Prime Minister yesterday evening, I would like to inform you and offer reassurances that we are taking further measures in order to limit any non-essential gatherings.

This means that we have now postponed:

- Mother’s Day Lunches
- Year 2’s class assembly on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March
- Extra-curricular activities and after school clubs until further notice – Shobnall Stars remains open as gatherings can be managed more effectively here
- Impending sporting fixtures and tournaments, including this week’s netball, handball and hockey tournaments and next week’s tag rugby, hockey and netball tournaments
- All forthcoming PFA events – Easter bingo, the fashion show and the quiz

Meadowside remains open and Year 4 swimming is still planned for tomorrow.

It may be that a further message will come out to our families later today, if and when we receive a formal update from the Government but, for now, the only change in advice is that it is **14 days’ isolation for the WHOLE family where a family member is displaying symptoms as outlined**. Schools remain open for now and, whilst we are fully supportive of all the decisions that individual families make in line with Government advice, it is unfeasible for us to send additional work home until a closure is enforced upon us. This would increase the burden on class teachers, who are busy continuing to prepare classroom-based learning as they usually do.

As mentioned before, these circumstances are unprecedented and we will get through this by supporting each other calmly. Please be assured that school will be in touch with any updated information, either via letter, email or text message depending on the nature of it.

Thank you once again for your understanding, resilience and patience and please make sure you all stay safe.

Kind regards,

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