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Dear Parents and Carers,

CORONAVIRUS UPDATE AND SCHOOL PLAN.

We know that it is a really difficult time and I wanted to reassure you that at Duncombe we are taking all the necessary steps to protect our community and minimise any risk.

Please see below the latest update from Duncombe:

- **All updates from the government to schools will be sent via email, twitter and the school website. Please ensure that you check these platforms regularly. Today's advice to schools is that they are for the moment to stay open.**
- School was deep cleaned on Saturday. Extra cleaning happening throughout the day, cleaning door handles and surfaces.
- Children washing their hands on arrival to school, after break and before lunch. Limited sanitiser available but plenty of soap. All teachers and staff following strict handwashing routines.
- All class assemblies postponed until further notice.
- All trips are now postponed until further notice.
- **School will be open as normal and after school clubs will take place** except for to the Sobell Centre on Friday, which is postponed until further notice. Breakfast club is open from 7.30 am as usual. However, we do understand that if you have vulnerable family members and do not wish to send your child to school at this time we fully understand and support your decision.
- In preparation for any school closure we are preparing work packs to send home with the children. We will also be launching a 'Home Learning' tab on the school website that will have new work uploaded every week, for every year group for as long as we are closed.
- We would like any families who know that they might struggle with food shopping because of missing out on school meals, to let Nicky, Charmaine or Helen know. We know that lots of families rely on the school meals so we are making a plan to support you if school closes.

Please see me or any of the SLT if you have any further concerns.

Sending my very best wishes to all of you,

Helen