

St. Anthony's Catholic Primary School

"Let your words teach and your actions speak"



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Head Teacher

Mrs T Davis

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Dear Parents/Carers,

I have received a number of queries with regards to our response to the Corona Virus. We are kept informed with information and advice at least once per day from the Department for Education (DfE) and a couple of times per week from the Local Authority. At present, the advice remains the same – to continue doing what we would normally do, with an increased emphasis on hand washing/hygiene. There are currently no plans to cancel any of our scheduled activities or provision.

We are aware of how to respond to a number of eventualities. We continue to be led by the DfE – there is no role for us to make up our own procedures.

How can parents help? You can help by emphasising and modelling the importance of good hand washing with your children. Ensure that they have washed their hands before coming to school and when they return home. Ensure that they have tissues in their bags/pockets in order to deal with runny noses. It is a careful and delicate balancing act in educating the children to increase their hygiene regime whilst not causing them anxiety. Should children make reference to the Corona Virus at school, we respond by saying that good hygiene stops them from getting colds and poorly tummies too - it is just a good thing to do.

I thank you for your supportive response to what is an unprecedented time. I will continue to keep you informed should there be any changes to advice.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs T Davis
(Head Teacher)



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