



GILLIBRAND Primary School

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Headteacher: Mrs A Clayton

Wednesday 18th March 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

As you are aware on Monday 16th March, the Government released a 'vulnerable groups' list in relation to the spreading of Coronavirus, the guidance which can be seen on the following link.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-guidance-on-social-distancing-and-for-vulnerable-people/guidance-on-social-distancing-for-everyone-in-the-uk-and-protecting-older-people-and-vulnerable-adults>

This guidance states: 'We are advising those who are at increased risk of severe illness from coronavirus (COVID-19) to be particularly stringent in following social distancing measures.'

It is my duty to ensure that all the staff in school are kept safe and as such we are abiding by the guidance. Unfortunately, this will cause some staffing changes and Mrs. Clark will be working from home until after Easter. Luckily, we have Miss Baker who will continue working in Year 6. Miss Baker will work Monday to Thursday with the children and Mrs. Sandham and Miss Covell will teach the class on a Friday. With modern day technology at its best, we will also be using video conferencing to enable Mrs. Clark to continue to support Year 6.

Mrs. O Hanlon is also self-isolating for 14 days from today and Miss Daley, with support from Mrs. Broadbent, will ensure the smooth running of the reception class.

My own self isolation ends on Friday and I will return to school from Monday.

I understand this is a very difficult time for us all and would like to reassure you that your child's safety and the safety of all the staff remains my priority.

Once again thank you to you all for your support and understanding during this period of uncertainty. As I write this, I hear that announcements about school closures are "imminent" and I will of course keep you all informed. The staff are working tirelessly to ensure that home learning resources will be ready for when this happens. I ask you all to ensure you have access to Class Dojo and My School App as this will be one of the main sources of communication.

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate in contacting me.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs. A Clayton
Headteacher

