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Dear Parents/Carers,

Coronavirus Update

Further to our letter on Friday, I write to update you about decisions that the school has made in relation to this rapidly developing situation. Please read this information and advice carefully.

Events Postponed

We have very reluctantly taken the decision to postpone parents' evening that was scheduled for this week. This will be arranged at some point in the future. This is to safeguard the health of our staff, pupils and parents. Such decisions are never taken lightly.

We welcome the good channels of communication that we have with parents and would not wish to jeopardise this. Staff will always pro-actively inform parents if there are any serious concerns with attainment or rates of progress and anything else that we feel we need to share. Likewise, please do get in touch with staff via telephone if there any matter you would like to discuss with staff.

We have also taken the step of postponing all other whole school/class events that were scheduled to take place. These reductions are drastic, although we hope that parents are understanding of the exceptional circumstances that we are now faced with.

17th March-Parents Evening 4.30-7.30pm (**POSTPONED until Summer term**)

18th March-Mother's Day Lunch (**CANCELLED**)

19th March-Parents Evening 3.45pm-6.45pm (**POSTPONED until Summer term**)

25th March FOT Meeting 11.00am-12.00am (**POSTPONED until further notice**)

25th March-Phonics Lunch 12.15pm-1.00pm (**POSTPONED until Summer term**)

25th March Phonics & Reading Presentation & Workshop (KS1 parents) (**POSTPONED until Summer term**)

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31st March- Easter Lunch (**CANCELLED**)

1st April-Class Three trip to Shrewsbury Town Centre (**TBC**)

3rd April-KS1 'On the Move' Music performance 2.15-3.15pm (**CANCELLED**)

Additionally, we have been informed that all Shrewsbury School Games events have been postponed until further notice. We have yet to receive notification from the ESFA about the regional finals that the school is due to take part in. We will let parents know what the situation is in relation to this as soon as we find out.



School Absence and possible closure and communication with parents

Although we have a number of children who are self-isolating as a precautionary measure, we are keen to stress that we have no confirmed cases of Covid19 in our school community. That said, we are continuing to implement Public Health England's advice that anyone with a **persistent cough and/or fever should be absent from school for 7 days**. We are very grateful for parents' understanding during this time.

At the moment, we are not aware of any plans for the Government to close schools as has happened in other countries. However, we are prepared for this eventuality and are keen to mitigate the negative impact on children's learning during this period of time.

Children who have enforced periods of absence may now take Accelerated Reader quizzes at home. This will only be available through the link on the school website (it will not work if you search for it on a search engine). In addition, we will be adding resources to the school website for children to complete should they be in a position to do so.

Please bear in mind that this situation may change again following announcements by the Government. Therefore we will continue to update parents via our school website at **<https://www.trinity.shropshire.sch.uk/covid19-situation.html>**

We are in exceptional times at the moment and all school staff are working to minimise children's anxiety during this unsettling period. I hope that parents and carers appreciate that the need to safeguard the health and wellbeing of pupils and members of the community is of paramount importance and it is in this spirit that we have taken these actions.

Yours faithfully,

John Rowe

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