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Dear Parents/Carers

Coronavirus (Covid-19) Update – school closures

We have now received further guidance from the Government, which I need to share with you.

It is being made very clear that if children can stay safely at home, they should, to limit the chance of the virus spreading.

The government has asked parents to keep their children at home, wherever possible, and asked schools to remain open only for those children who **absolutely need to attend**.

The fewer children making the journey to school, and the fewer children in educational settings, the lower the risk that the virus can spread and infect vulnerable individuals in wider society. Schools are being asked to provide care for a **very limited number of children who cannot be cared for safely at home**.

We need to hear from you **today**, no later than **12:00pm** to confirm if you are absolutely sure that you cannot care for your child at home or make other arrangements to keep them safe and to prevent them from travelling.

Please phone the school or email Info@southchurchschool.com

We will require the following information:

- Key worker occupation of parent/carer
- Name of student(s)
- Year groups(s)
- Please indicate the days your child will require school provision

We will keep you updated regularly and as soon as we have any more to tell you I will write again. In the meantime, please check the website regularly.

You have already received details about how your child can access and complete work from home.

Many thanks for your ongoing support in these uncertain times.

Your sincerely

Stuart Reynolds
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