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Dear Parents/Carers,

On Tuesday 29 March, the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, Sajid Javid, set out the next steps for living with COVID-19 in England from Friday 1 April.

To give our school community the best opportunity to enjoy a COVID-19 free Easter break, we will be changing our school guidance from Monday April 25th.

In accordance with guidance from the DfE, from April 25th:

- pupils with symptoms of a respiratory infection who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people. They can come back to school when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend.
- pupils with a positive COVID-19 test result should stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 3 days, which is when they are most infectious, returning to school when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend.

As a school, we will continue our increased cleaning measures and ensure that good ventilation in classrooms becomes the norm.

As a school community we have done a fantastic job adhering to our measures to reduce the risk to our pupils. This half term has seen our highest number of positive cases among both pupils and staff but this has quickly subsided and numbers are once again very low. As we take another step towards normality and as protection measures are reduced, I ask all parents/carers to be mindful of those who are vulnerable within our school community and to follow our new guidance closely, carefully considering when it is appropriate to send your children to school.

Thank you for your continued cooperation.

Mr Croghan

Headteacher

Worthing Deanery Schools









