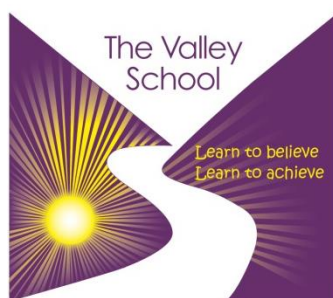


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Dear Parents and Carers,

## REF: LOOKING AFTER OUR PUPILS & STAFF

Thank you for your very positive response to my last letter. You will be fully aware that the situation continues to evolve and new decisions are being made on a daily basis. I will continue to do my best to make sense of the advice I am given to support the physical and emotional needs of pupils and staff.

Our current understanding of the "7 day isolation" advice is that this is one of several measures, designed to slow down the rate of new infections and to protect the most vulnerable in our society.

Any pupil or member of staff who has a temperature of more than 37.8 degrees or who has a persistent new cough **MUST** stay away from school for at least the next 7 days. This is the case, even if the symptoms are not serious or not obviously similar to flu-like illnesses and this applies even if the person involved feels generally well. During these 7 days, he/she may well go on to feel completely well, but is still expected to follow the Government and NHS advice on what it means to self-isolate. The current advice is that other members of the family are not affected and do not need to take action.

If the above does not apply, all pupils and staff are expected to be in school, unless there are specific medical circumstances that make them particularly vulnerable. We do not know how long the situation will continue, so keeping as much normality as possible is very important for all of us. There are home learning activities on our website, but a fuller home learning programme will be available if the school is instructed to close.

Please ensure that you check our website before contacting the school office for any updates

Yours sincerely,

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