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Dear Parents and Carers,

As you will be aware the Department of Education is keeping schools updated daily concerning the Coronavirus. In addition to this information we are also receiving regular support from Essex County Council.

Following this advice, we have made the following decisions:

1. School Closures: We hope to remain open. The only reasons for closure are:
 - Instruction from the Government to close
 - Advice from Public Health England
 - On safety grounds, if staffing levels fall (due to staff having to self-isolate) to a level where the overall safety of pupils and staff could be compromised
2. The following events are cancelled:
 - Parents' Evenings (Tuesday 17 and Thursday 19 March)
 - All Reading Cafés
 - Swimming (Year 5)
 - Year 3 and Year 5 class assembliesThe PTA will contact regarding any events organised up to the Easter holidays
3. School Visits will go ahead where possible and at the discretion of the Headteacher. Decisions will take account of the latest Government guidance, the location of the planned trip, how busy the venue is and the method of transport.
4. All sports events are suspended.

I am sorry for any disappointment that these decisions may cause, however I am sure you will appreciate that this is a fast moving situation and in order for schools to remain open, we must try to minimise the risk of infection where we can. We will keep you informed of further updates. Thank you for your understanding in this matter.

Yours sincerely,

Miss L Gibbs



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