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Dear Parents/Carers,

A couple of hours ago, Boris Johnson announced new measures in the 'fight against the COVID-19 coronavirus.

Whilst there were no new measures that directly impacted schools, there are indirect implications.

Primarily, the guidance on self-isolation has now changed – if there are is anyone in your immediate family (i.e. those you live with) who is displaying symptoms, then **the whole household should self-isolate for 14 days**.

As well as impacting on our families, this will also impact on our ability to staff the school.

The school remains open but we will continue to review the situation.

The government will continue to provide daily briefings and, if there are any implications for schools, I will write to you all following these briefings and also update the COVID-19 page on school website.

<https://bridge.kent.sch.uk/key-information/coronavirus-covid-19>

I want to take this opportunity to express my gratitude to those parents who have been in touch to convey their support. This is a challenging time for us all and we're all taking this one day at a time.

I will update you again tomorrow after the daily briefing.

With gratitude,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'James Tibbles'.

James Tibbles,
Headteacher

