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Dear Parents,

We wrote to you earlier this week regarding our upcoming events, both in and outside of school. In light of recent developments both nationally and locally we have reviewed matters and taken the decision to cancel or postpone some events.

We have not taken this decision lightly and have no intention of closing the school at the current time, however, we wish to minimise the risk posed to everyone and have therefore taken precautions where we can. In this instance, it is the unnecessary and additional events organised by school and PTA, which may involve members of the community not normally associated with school (often the elderly and other vulnerable groups). In the case of the sleepover, as many of you will recall, the beds are so close together that it creates a situation that is unadvisable in the current climate. We would like to re-arrange these events but as the developments of the coronavirus are so unpredictable we are unable to do so and are taking advice from the DfE and the W.H.O.

Where events have been cancelled/postponed and payments have been received we will make a full refund to those individuals, which will be sent home with the children today.

Please note the amendments to the events below:

Monday 16th March – 7pm – PTA Meeting:

This has been cancelled and will be re-arranged at a later date.

Thursday 19th March – Class 1 Trip – Treasure Island:

This has been postponed until a later date, we will review the situation in the Summer Term. Refunds have been sent home today with those children who have already paid for the trip.

Friday 20th March – Class 3 Assembly – 9.15am:

The assembly will go ahead, however, we would request that only adults who have regular contact with children in Class 3 attend.

Friday 20th March – School Sleepover:

We have decided to postpone this event at this time with the hope that we can re-arrange the event next term once we know more. Refunds will be sent home today with those children who have already sent in payment.

Wednesday 25th March – Non-Uniform Day:

This event will go ahead, however, instead of a donation of chocolate we would ask that each pupil donates £1, which will go towards the Rotakids fundraising.

Thursday 26th March – Easter Service – 2.30pm:

We have decided to cancel this event as it involves members of the community, in particular the elderly, as we do not wish to place anyone at unnecessary risk of contracting the virus or any other illness.

Friday 27th March – Easter Coffee Morning and Egg Hunt:

We have decided to cancel this event as it also involves members of the community. We will, however, hold the Egg hunt for the children in school as usual.

At this time we have no plans to cancel the Residential to Hawse End, however, we will continue to take advice from the relevant organisations and keep you informed of the situation if there are any changes.

Yours sincerely

Lynn Harrison