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Coronavirus and Advice Update from The GST Schools

Dear Parents/Carers,

Following on from the letter from the Gosforth Schools' Trust, I am writing to update you regarding life at Archibald as I understand that there is anxiety and concern regarding the Coronavirus.

At present

- Staff are ensuring that there is a calm atmosphere which focuses on the usual day to day teaching and learning. This is to ensure that there is no panic or alarm.
- Children and staff are washing hands and sanitising throughout the day whilst talking about hygiene and germs.
- All teachers have delivered sessions on the importance of correct handwashing with the message of 'catch it, bin it, kill it'.
- Sanitiser is located at the school entrance for visitors to use.
- The school services team are ensuring surfaces and handles are cleaned thoroughly every day.

Visits and Visitors

- As of today, Hawkhurst is still due to go ahead. We are unable to book provisional dates if the visit should need to be postponed. However, staff are willing to take the children over a weekend period to ensure they do not miss out on this experience should a postponement be necessary.
- Visitors into school will be limited to protect their well-being.
- Reading helpers will be postponed until after the Easter holidays.
- We may find that some visits and events may need to be cancelled.

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