

17/3/2020

Dear Parent/ Carer,

I am writing to you to help you understand the preparations we are making to support your child and you at school during the Covid 19 (Coronavirus) outbreak.

**Southwark Park Primary school** will continue to follow the advice of Public Health England (PHE) about keeping our school open and on maintaining high levels of hygiene in school. Any changes in the advice given by PHE, we will inform you immediately. As the situation can change rapidly we would like to help you be prepared in the event that your child is off school or we are instructed by the government to close.

### 1. The situation now 17/3/2020

Southwark Park Primary is open and will remain open until we are instructed to close by the government. If this is the case, we will contact you in writing, by **text message**.

**What to do if you, your child, or someone you have recently been in contact with, is showing symptoms (<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>) of Covid 19**

- If a **family member living with you** is self-isolating **without symptoms**, your child should come to school
- If a **family member living with you** is self- isolating **with symptoms**, inform us immediately and your child **should not** come to school for **14 days**.
- If a **family member living with you** is **diagnosed with Covid19**, inform us immediately and your child **should not** come to school for **14 days**
- If a **child is showing symptoms or has been diagnosed with Covid 19**, inform us immediately and your child **should not** come to school. As with any notifiable disease parents and **Southwark Park** will be acting under the instructions of Public Health England.

### 2. What to do if your child is kept off school because they are showing symptoms of, or have been diagnosed with, Covid 19

It is a good idea to start thinking about what you and your child can do if they are at home for an extended period of time.

#### Taking time off work to look after your child

Speak to your employer if you have to take time off work to look after your child. They should have a plan for staff during this time.

If you don't work and are claiming Universal Credit or another benefit and are concerned about being able to meet your job seeking commitments, contact your job centre or work coach for advice.



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## Keeping your child engaged while they are off school

Think about stockpiling some activity supplies now: arts and crafts materials, games, jigsaws etc. These can be picked up second hand from charity shops, and some libraries have stocks to borrow. Check our website for information on activities under

- Curriculum
- Home learning

### 3. What to do if your child is at home because the government has instructed us to close the school. As above please check the schools website under

- Curriculum
- Home learning

## Other Websites for learning

- Science: <http://www.sciencefun.org/kidszone/experiments/>
- Reading: <https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/>;  
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/learningenglish/english/features/childrens-stories>

## 4. Accessing support from other organisations while your child is off school

<https://southwark.foodbank.org.uk/>  
<https://southwark.foodbank.org.uk/locations/>  
<https://www.trusselltrust.org/get-help/find-a-foodbank/southwark/>  
<https://www.pecan.org.uk/southwark-foodbank>  
<https://www.cschub.co.uk/>  
<https://southwark.foodbank.org.uk/get-help/foodbank-vouchers/Office>

Southwark Park will continue to operate as normal until we are instructed otherwise. Any general updates will be posted to the website. Please don't hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely

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