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Dear Parent and Carer

Coronavirus: Covid-19 Latest Update

I write further to the statement delivered by the Prime Minister today ([PM statement on coronavirus: 16 March 2020](#)).

I can confirm that with immediate effect, if your child or anyone within the household in which they live has one of two key symptoms: a high temperature (classified as 37.8C or above) or a new, continuous cough, then they should stay at home for fourteen days.

I would be grateful if you would continue to report your child's absence to school as normal. Wherever possible, please report Covid-19 related-absences by email in the first instance to attendance@penistone-gs.uk. This will help us to manage the high volume of calls we are currently experiencing.

Where a student is absent from school due to self-isolation, whilst staff will do their best to set work for students, even with best endeavours, this will not always be possible. We would therefore refer students to Frog (our virtual learning environment) where there are many resources available to supplement students' learning. This particularly applies to students in years 10 and 11 who should direct themselves to the English and Science sites, and to Hegarty Maths. Students in years 12 and 13 who are absent due to self-isolation should use the time for self-study and revision.

I will write tomorrow with further details of our response to the Prime Minister's latest statement and thank you for your ongoing support during this challenging time.

Yours sincerely

Paul Crook
Principal



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