

Dear Parent or Carer,

Due to recent updates in the approaches being taken to limit the impact of COVID19 we have made strategic decisions in school to prepare for any closures and ensure the safety and wellbeing of all our pupils.

We have made the difficult decision to postpone Parents' Afternoon and Evening. We will review this at a later date. Your child's report will be sent home this week. We apologise for any inconvenience caused by this decision and any future decisions that result in the cancellation of meetings and performances. It's a very difficult time at the moment but we are making sure that your children's health and the health of our community remains at the forefront of our minds. We are following all advice given to try and limit contact and the possible spread of infectious disease. We would like to remind you that if your child displays any symptoms of illness to keep them off school for a 7 day isolation period.

We will be sending out ParentMail and See-Saw invites to those families not already connected. In the event of school closure this is how we will contact parents and how teachers will send and set work. In order for us to communicate and update parents it's essential that you connect to the school via ParentMail and See-Saw.

We have had to make the difficult decision to cancel our Y6 residential to London. We will ensure we make amends and provide them plenty of visits and extra-curricular events during their final term here at Shevington Vale. Further updates will follow.

It is frustrating but we are still awaiting a decision from PGL regarding the Y4 residential. Given recent advice we are assuming that this trip will also not go ahead but we will update you as soon as we have confirmation. With regards to refunds for this, we will work with ParentMail to ensure these are returned to you as quickly as we possibly can.

We are also postponing our Special Persons assembly which was being delivered by Reception this week. A new date will be sent out later in the year.

This is obviously disappointing news as our visits and trips are such important elements for our curriculum and these were excursions that our pupils were incredibly excited about. Your family and your child's health is our greatest concern when making these choices, and we hope that you understand the reasons behind such decisions.

Alongside external provisions we are also cancelling all clubs. This includes sporting clubs that are before and after school inclusive of champions breakfast. ML Sports will postpone the remaining Dodgeball sessions and deliver those at a later date. Y2 and Y6 Boosters are also postponed for the duration. Our reading cafe will no longer be in operation.

This will not affect Stay & Play which will be operating as normal.

We are constantly receiving updates at both local and national level regarding COVID19 and will continue to update you should anything change.

Please continue to follow all Government Health advice regarding COVID19.

Should you have any questions please don't hesitate to get in touch.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mr Houghton