

PROPELLER ACADEMY TRUST
Fitzwaryn

'Through learning to learn, pupils will access society'

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Dear Parents/Carers

Further to the Prime Minister's announcement yesterday of the increased measures being put in place to stop the spread of Coronavirus, I wanted to update you on the school's response.

As I'm sure you will appreciate, we are currently dealing with a complex and rapidly changing situation. My priority will always be the health and safety of the pupils and staff in our school. Now more than ever, this remains my primary focus.

This is an entirely unprecedented situation and I am following official advice from the government and Public Health England but with the utmost consideration for the individual situation at Fitzwaryn.

From today, all pupils will remain on the school site for all their learning. I have therefore taken the decision to cancel the following off-site activities:

- Weekly swimming, hydrotherapy and sporting activities
- Trips and visits
- Regular trips into the community e.g. to the shops/local cafes
- Work experience placements
- After School Clubs
- Riding

Restrictions are currently in place for visitors coming into the school and therefore the following will also be cancelled until further notice:

- Coffee Mornings
- End of Term Easter Assembly
- Prospective parents visiting the school
- Duke of Edinburgh Awards Evening
- Non-essential visitors who are not directly linked to pupil learning



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In the meantime, we are aiming to give your child/children the best education as always and therefore the following will continue:

- Visits by the therapy and school nursing teams
- Scheduled school-based clinics
- Attendance of Fitzwaryn staff at internal and external meetings where appropriate

The trustees of FAAAZE have decided that the club will not run for the foreseeable future. This is also the case for Beatbox.

Clair Taylor and I have also taken the decision to cancel FitzKids Holiday Club and have informed OCC of our decision.

Several parents are choosing to keep their child/children off school as a precaution and some are seeking medical advice from their GPs or by ringing 111. If you choose to do the same, it will be recorded as 'exceptional circumstances' in the register and therefore will not count against attendance records. Please continue to let school know the reasons why your child is absent, so we have a good record of the current situation.

If your child has an underlying health condition, I would strongly advise you to seek medical advice about whether they are safe to be in a school environment.

Please ensure that your contact details are up to date with the school office and that someone is available at the end of a phone should we need to contact you.

As outlined in the letter last week, we are considering the situation in the Propeller Academy Schools daily.

If the situation arises that it is not safe to open, we will have no option but to close; our aim of course is not for this to be the case.

In the meantime, thank you for your continued support with these matters.

Yours sincerely

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