



# Fairstead House School

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Dear Parents

## CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

We continue to follow Department for Education and Public Health England advice and as a consequence, Fairstead House remains open, however, as mentioned in my letter of 11<sup>th</sup> March 2020, our activities are cancelled on a risk assessed basis.

Following advice, staff and children must stay at home if they are unwell with a new, continuous cough or a high temperature for 14 days. Otherwise, staff and children should attend school as normal. If staff or children become unwell in school with a new continuous cough or high temperature (above 37.8°C) they will be sent home. Please be assured that our cleaning staff continue to work hard to sanitise high volume hand contact surfaces, including door handles, taps and banisters. We are reminding children, and supervising young children and babies, to ensure they wash their hands for 20 seconds, more often than usual, with soap and water.

The updated guidance is found here: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19#contents>

We are aware that some parents have decided to keep their children at home as a precautionary measure. Please continue to inform the School Office if you choose to do this. Teachers of children in school who are being kept at home will email you a brief summary of what has been covered in class that day with effect from Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March. Fairstead will move to its full home learning provision (school only) only in the event of a school closure if we are advised to do so by Public Health England.

Many thanks again for your understanding and ongoing support.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Lynda Brereton".

Lynda Brereton  
Head