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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you are all keeping safe and well. As we approach the end of what has been another very strange and challenging term I would like to give my heartfelt thanks to all of you for your continued support. I wish to thank children, staff, parents, governors and all other stakeholders for their resilience and commitment in ensuring we can make the best of a very difficult situation. The thanks and support we have received from yourselves has been amazing.

Changes to Measures and Guidance for Managing Covid-19 in Education Settings from 1st April

On Tuesday 29 March, the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, Sajid Javid, set out the [next steps for living with COVID-19](#) in England from Friday 1 April.

The updated guidance advises:

- adults with the symptoms of a respiratory infection, and who have a high temperature or feel unwell, should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people until they feel well enough to resume normal activities and they no longer have a high temperature
- children and young people who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people. They can go back to school, college or childcare when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend
- adults with a positive COVID-19 test result should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 5 days, which is when they are most infectious. For children and young people aged 18 and under, the advice will be 3 days

Last Day of Term

At the end of each term we would normally hold a celebration assembly where families can come into school and watch performances from their children. With the current situation, we believe that it would be unwise to continue as normal. We will therefore be closing school at 1.20pm on **Friday 8th April** to allow the children to spend time with their families. For any families that are unable to collect their children at this time please let us know so we can discuss possible arrangements.

Swimming will still be going ahead for Kestrels class as we feel this is important for the children. Children who are swimming can be collected at 3.00pm. If you have children across year groups then you can either collect some at 1.20pm and others at 3.00pm or we will look after the children until 3.00pm when their siblings have returned from swimming and they can be collected.

On behalf of Withington staff, I would like to wish you all an enjoyable and safe Easter holiday.

Best wishes,

Simon Robertson
Executive Headteacher