



# The Featherstone Academy

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Dear Parent/Carer

## **CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) UPDATE**

As the situation with the Coronavirus increases we felt it would be helpful to share and explain our plans and preparations that have been put in place for any potential disruption to the academy.

We are receiving daily updates from the government and as such will be following their advice. As a Trust we have reviewed our emergency plans and put in place contingencies should we have to close, or partially close, due to either government instruction or staff absence. In the event of any closure we will use our local radio stations, send you text messages, put messages on our website and via facebook. We must emphasise that we will remain open unless you hear via one of these methods.

We have increased the cleaning of the academy, made provision for additional hand sanitisers to be available in the dining hall and outside toilets, held assemblies with all students about how to properly wash their hands and displayed posters around school to remind students, staff and visitors to maintain good hygiene.

We are monitoring all trips and making decisions on a case by case basis, again following advice from the government.

We are preparing work for your child should we have to close the academy for any length of time. We are looking into the use of various IT apps to share resources, further information on this will follow.

I appreciate this is a very difficult time but please be assured that the academy is making the best possible preparations to support your child in the event of a closure. In the meantime, we will continue to operate a full and normal school day.

Yours faithfully

Wesley Bush  
Head of School