

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2020 – 8pm

Dear Parents/Carers,

I don't want to cause alarm, and to be honest, I think we are going to have to get used to news like this over the coming weeks, but I thought it only fair to say that Mr Mason our caretaker has come down with coronavirus symptoms tonight.

We've always prided ourselves on being very transparent with you so I thought you really did have the right to know. I have done this as fast as I can.

Of course, there is no way of knowing where Mr Mason has caught this. He has children of his own and his wife is also a teacher in another school. He could have caught it at Asda or Sainsburys etc but the fact is he has been in school all day and he has been in close proximity to the children.

I really wouldn't feel right not letting you know this as fast as I can. The school will still be open tomorrow and two of our other cleaners will again give the school a really thorough disinfecting before the children arrive. They will also do this throughout the day.

However, by trying to contact you via the website, I feel we have at least not kept anything secret and this allows you to decide whether or not you want to send your child in tomorrow. I am only sorry we can't text you at this time of night and I have to hope you will read this on the website.

Please try not to panic. Mr Mason may well not have transmitted the virus, as he spent most of the day with disinfectant, but – of course – there is no definite way of knowing.

Best wishes,

Mr D Brawley