Dear Parents and Carers

Coronavirus Update
Please make sure you read yesterday’s letter about the cancellation of events etc (available on our website).

Updated Guidance:
Following yesterday’s letter about coronavirus, the guidance has been updated again by Public Health England.

➢ It now states that if you or anyone in your household develops a new cough or has a high temperature then you should all self-isolate for 14 days

Contingency plans if school is forced to close:
We will notify you at the earliest opportunity if school is forced to close and give as much notice as possible. This will be done by text and by letter.

Work and resources will be set by school in the following ways for children in Year 1 to Year 6:

➢ Maths tasks and activities will be set using our online programmes: Mathletics (for Y5+6 only), TT Rockstars and Numbot.

➢ English packs will be sent home including reading / comprehension activities, grammar activities and writing activities. You will also be able to access free online learning at ‘spelling frame.’

➢ An overview sheet for wider curriculum subjects (e.g. science, geography) will be sent home with a range of suggested activities for you to complete with your child. You will have home access to Espresso Discovery to support learning in these activities.

➢ Year 6 staff will be sending home some SATs books and learning packs to continue to support the children in their preparations for their SATs in May.

➢ Staff in Nursery and Reception will send home some suggested practical activities for you to complete at home with your child to add to their learning journeys. We request that you upload photographic evidence onto the 2build a profile software.

We will be sending out all usernames and passwords to you in the coming days to ensure that you can access the above online learning programmes from home.

- Links to online learning programmes will be easily accessible on our school’s website in the new ‘Home Learning,’
You will be able to contact teachers in your child’s year group during a school closure by emailing them at the following email addresses (this must only be for clarification or queries relating to your child’s learning. Other messages will not be responded to):

Nursery and Reception: eyfs@uplandsmanor.sandwell.sch.uk  
Year 1: year1@uplandsmanor.sandwell.sch.uk  
Year 2: year2@uplandsmanor.sandwell.sch.uk  
Year 3: year3@uplandsmanor.sandwell.sch.uk  
Year 4: year4@uplandsmanor.sandwell.sch.uk  
Year 5: year5@uplandsmanor.sandwell.sch.uk  
Year 6: year6@uplandsmanor.sandwell.sch.uk

If you have any urgent queries about any other matters during the school closure, you will be able to contact school using the headteacher@uplandsmanor.sandwell.sch.uk email address and your query will be responded to as soon as possible.

If your child is currently off school

If your child is off school at the moment due to self-isolation, you can access the online programmes outlined above. Unfortunately, due to the number of children currently off school (it was over 170 yesterday) we are unable to send out individual packs of work to be completed. If you are unaware of your child’s login details to the above programmes then these can be sent to you if you contact school to request them.

I will continue to update you with any plans and further information in the coming weeks.

Yours faithfully

Mr A Dickinson  
Head Teacher