



# Urchfont C. E. Primary School

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Dear Parents,

Following the latest guidance concerning COVID-19, with particular reference to non-essential social contact, we have made the decision to postpone this week's parents evening. This was not a decision that we took lightly this morning. However, we believe this is in line with the guidelines that are being put into place to keep people as well as possible.

We will reschedule parents evening as soon as we possibly can, hopefully in term 5 or term 6. I have been asked by some parents, if teachers can phone or FaceTime them. I'm afraid we are unable to do this. Under the school's current policies, staff are unable to use non-school devices to contact parents and the school's telephone equipment does not support this facility.

As such we are considering other measures of informing parents of their child's progress which may include distributing school reports earlier than expected.

However, any of these plans may be overtaken by national directives.

In addition, we have cancelled all events that involves social gathering and/or visitors to school. Therefore, the following events are now cancelled with immediate effect:

- Forest School
- Mr Herring's sporting club
- Swimming for Chaffinches class
- Robins Sharing Assembly
- Easter Service
- Celebration Assembly
- Parent Helpers

Furthermore, we are bringing forward the date when the Reception children come into school on their own. In previous years, this takes place at the beginning of term 5. But as to limit social interaction, this will begin as of immediate effect.

We will endeavor to try to keep you informed of other changes as soon as we receive the information ourselves.

Yours Sincerely,

Mrs CE Talbot  
(Head Teacher)

