



Birches First School

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13th March 2020

Dear Parents,

As you are aware, as a school we have been monitoring the situation regarding the current Coronavirus and considering any necessary measures we need to take. We continue to be guided by the DFE and Public Health England who provide a daily update.

Whilst there has been no guidance to say that school visits should not go ahead at this point, (other than overseas visits) it is understandable that many parents are concerned about the children visiting a large public space such as ThinkTank. There is also uncertainty as to the level of concern that could rise over the weekend and a high chance that the national advice may well change by the start of the week.

Therefore, I have reluctantly taken the decision to cancel the Reception class visit planned for Monday to ThinkTank. I have spoken with Mrs Lawley who, on this occasion will arrange a refund for the cost of the trip due to the exceptional circumstances.

We realise that the children will be disappointed, therefore we will look to arrange an alternative trip, most likely in the summer term.

Best wishes,

Mrs J Ferretti

Acting Headteacher