

## Coronavirus Update 11<sup>th</sup> March 2020

Dear Parents/Carers

I am writing to update you on the school's latest position in relation to the coronavirus.

The school continues to be cautious and plan for all eventualities including for work to be set in the unlikely event of a shutdown. We are receiving frequent updates from the DfE and Southwark and will continue to be guided by them in order to minimise the risk to staff and pupils. The latest guidance is as follows:

"No school should close in response to a suspected (or confirmed) COVID-19 case unless advised to do by Public Health England."

We encourage our families to be aware of guidance from the agencies below:

- NHS [advice](#) (or copy and paste <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>)
- The Department for Education whose coronavirus helpline is now available to answer questions about COVID-19 relating to education and children's social care. Staff, parents and young people can contact this helpline as follows:

Phone: 0800 046 8687

Email: [DfE.coronavirushelpline@education.gov.uk](mailto:DfE.coronavirushelpline@education.gov.uk)

Opening hours: 8am to 6pm (Monday to Friday)

We have reminded the pupils at school about good hygiene to help prevent the spread of germs and have increased the amount of hand sanitiser around school. We shall continue to monitor the situation and will be in contact with you if any advice changes that might impact on the school.

Yours sincerely,



Marcus Huntley  
**Principal**