

26 February 2020

Coronavirus Update 25th February 2020

Dear Parents/Carers

I write to advise of the school's current position in relation to the coronavirus. It is important to note that the risk to individuals remains low, however it is prudent for the school to be cautious and plan for all eventualities. The school will work with local and government agencies to minimise the risk to staff and pupils and be fully guided by their advice.

Similarly, we encourage our families to be aware of guidance from the agencies below:

- The Government's [latest advice](#) regarding the virus including to those who have recently travelled or plan to do so.
- Public Health England [poster for schools](#) which we are displaying around our site.
- NHS [advice](#)

The latest advice on travel (Updated on 25 February) is as follows:

1. Anyone who has travelled to the UK from mainland China, Thailand, Japan, Republic of Korea, Hong Kong, Taiwan, Singapore, Malaysia or Macau in the last 14 days and is experiencing cough or fever or shortness of breath, to stay indoors and call NHS 111, even if symptoms are mild.
2. If you have returned from these specific areas since February 19, you should call NHS 111 and stay indoors and avoid contact with other people even if you do not have symptoms:
 - Iran
 - Specific lockdown areas in Northern Italy as designated by the Government of Italy
 - Special care zones in South Korea as designated by the Government of the Republic of South Korea
 - Hubei province (returned in the past 14 days)
3. If you have returned from these areas since February 19th and develop symptoms, however mild, you should stay indoors at home and avoid contact with other people immediately and call NHS111. You do not need to follow this advice if you have no symptoms.
 - Northern Italy (defined by a line above, and not including, Pisa, Florence and Rimini),
 - Vietnam
 - Cambodia
 - Laos
 - Myanmar

We have reminded the pupils at school about good hygiene to help prevent the spread of germs, and we shall continue to monitor the situation in the UK. If any advice changes that might impact on the school, we shall be in contact with you.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a stylized 'M' followed by a long horizontal stroke that tapers to the right.

Marcus Huntley
Principal