



Thursday 27th February, 2020.

Dear Parent/Carer,

Re. Covid-19 advice for schools

You are undoubtedly very aware from the media about the concerns surrounding the Coronavirus and we understand the potential this has to create anxiety. I would like to take this opportunity to reassure all parents and carers that we are monitoring the situation carefully and taking note of any advice given to schools by Public Health England (PHE) to ensure the health of our school community.

The current information from the World Health Organisation and PHE is clear that there is no immediate cause for concern.

The specific advice provided for schools and workplaces was updated on 25th February 2020 and stated the following:

If parents/staff/children have returned from the following areas since 19 February, call **NHS111** to inform them of your recent travel, 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
- Daegu or Cheongdo, Republic of Korea)
- Hubei province, China (returned in the past 14 days)

If you have returned from the following areas since 19 February 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 do not have symptoms**:

- Northern Italy (see map)
- Vietnam
- Cambodia
- Laos
- Myanmar

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If you have returned to the UK from any of the following areas in the last 14 days and develop symptoms of cough or fever or shortness of breath, you should immediately stay indoors and avoid contact with other people, **call NHS 111 to inform them of your recent travel to the country.**

- Other parts of China outside Hubei province
- Thailand
- Japan
- Republic of Korea
- Hong Kong
- Taiwan
- Singapore
- Malaysia
- Macau

This guidance can be found in full online:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/wuhan-novel-coronavirus-information-for-the-public>

A full list of affected areas, including maps, can be found online:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-specified-countries-and-areas>

All other children and staff should attend school as usual unless they have had contact with a confirmed case of COVID-19.

Please inform us immediately if your child falls into any of the categories above or has been in direct contact with a confirmed case for COVID-19 so we can take the necessary measures.

Thank you in anticipation of your cooperation and support

Yours sincerely,



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