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Dear Parent/Carer

Updated advice regarding Coronavirus

As you may have heard in the news, the Government has issued updated advice regarding Covid-19 (Coronavirus). Whilst (at the time of writing) there have been no confirmed cases directly linked to our school (as advised by Public Health England), we are keen to make sure we follow the latest guidance.

We will continue to follow advice from Public Health England and the Department for Education. This is subject to change at short notice and we will keep you updated as soon as we can.

The Government have given the following advice:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-information-for-the-public>

What to do if you have symptoms

Stay at home for 7 days if you have either:

- a high temperature
- a new continuous cough

This will help to protect others in your community while you are infectious.

Do not go to a GP surgery, pharmacy or hospital.

You do not need to contact NHS 111 to tell them you're staying at home.

We will not be testing people who are self-isolating with mild symptoms.

If your child has no symptoms:

- **For most staff and pupils, it is SCHOOL AS USUAL** (unless you have been in close contact with someone diagnosed with the infection).
- Wash your hands regularly and use hand gel when you cannot wash your hands

If we spot the above symptoms, we will ring you and ask you to take your child home for self-isolation. Please make sure we have your latest telephone number.



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If your child needs to self-isolate?

Please make sure you let us know and follow the guidance on self-isolating at home.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-people-with-confirmed-or-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection>

What happens after your child has self-isolated?

Most people will no longer be likely to transmit the virus 7 days after symptoms have started. If your child is better after 7 days and no longer has a cough / temperature you can bring them back to school.

If your symptoms last more than 7 days you should contact NHS 111 online at 111.nhs.uk. If you have no internet access, you should call NHS 111.

With this fast-changing situation, we are continually updating our plans regarding events and activities. You will be told of any changes in the usual way (text alerts, newsletter and the website).

We thank you for your patience and understanding.

Yours sincerely

Mr Tom Stockwell
Executive Principal