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Dear Parents / Guardians,

As you are aware, as a school we are closely monitoring the Corona virus situation and following advice from Public Health England.

We would like to update you on the following:

### Hygiene

Students are regularly reminded of good hygiene practices and the importance of washing their hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. The NHS has issued the following advice on the best way to wash your hands. <https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/healthy-body/best-way-to-wash-your-hands/>

### Travel

Public Health England updated their travel advice, recommending that anyone returning from Italy should self-isolate, even if they do not have any symptoms. If your child develops symptoms, call NHS 111 to find out what to do next. Their latest information can be found here: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-information-for-the-public>

The latest updates on COVID-19 can be found here on Public Health England:

<https://publichealthmatters.blog.gov.uk/2020/01/23/wuhan-novel-coronavirus-what-you-need-to-know>

Further information on what you should do if you are asked to self-isolate can be found here:

<https://publichealthmatters.blog.gov.uk/2020/02/20/what-is-self-isolation-and-why-is-it-important>

### Department for Education coronavirus helpline

The Department for Education 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)

As a school we will monitor the situation and advise you if things change.

We would like to thank you for your support in helping us to safeguard the good health of our students and all the members of our community.

Yours sincerely,

Martin Bonner  
**Head Teacher**