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Dear Mums, Dads and Carers,

Re: Important Health Advice

You will be aware of the recent media coverage about the coronavirus. I am writing to you to reinforce the advice from Public Health England (PHE).

The UK Chief Medical Officers have designated the risk to the public as moderate. However, the risk to any one individual remains low. Health professionals are working to contact anyone who has been in close contact with people who have coronavirus.

The current public health advice applies specifically to people who have recently returned from affected regions, which now includes more regions than just the affected provinces in China. If you have recently travelled abroad, please visit the government information site to check if you have visited an affected region. Please follow the advice found at this link:
https://www.gov.uk/guidance/wuhan-novel-coronavirus-information-for-the-public

We thought it important to contact all families about the general advice from the NHS about how to stop viruses like the coronavirus spreading and to reassure you that we are doing everything we can to help children and adults follow this advice in school. This is as follows:

DO:

- cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your sleeve (not your hands) when you cough or sneeze
- put used tissues in the bin immediately
- wash your hands with soap and water often – use hand sanitiser gel if soap and water are not available
- try to avoid close contact with people who are unwell

DON'T:

- do not touch your eyes, nose or mouth if your hands are not clean

Please do not hesitate to contact us at any point should you require any clarification in any way. Please contact us immediately about any related health concerns. We thank you, in advance, for your help with this complex situation.

Kind regards

Paul Hooper
Head Teacher