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Dear Parents/Carers,

As the number of UK cases of coronavirus (COVID-19) increases, we are aware that students and families are growing increasingly concerned. Please be assured that we are doing everything we can to protect our school community and are following NHS and Government guidelines for education settings, and reviewing the situation on a daily basis.

Right now, they have advised that schools should not close, and are encouraged to continue as normal until we are advised otherwise by Public Health.

All people with symptoms of a new, persistent cough, high temperature and trouble breathing, or with flu-like symptoms, should self-isolate for 7 days. We request that any other children in the house, including siblings self-isolate too. If symptoms get worse, they should then call NHS 111. Please note, travel history is no longer relevant; action (isolation and testing) will be done based on symptoms.

As the situation continues, there will be further advice from the Department for Education and Public Health England. We will follow this advice and keep you informed. Do look at these websites if you require any information. There is a helpline to support education enquiries, for staff, families and young children: 0800 046 8687.

As it is winter, there are a variety of colds and flus around. The NHS 111 service will be able to help you to distinguish what your needs will be.

We invite all to continue to operate highlighting the need for clean hands and sneezing into tissues that are disposed of and then hands washed. We thank you for remaining calm and following the Government's advice on prevention.

I will keep the website updated with any further information.

Please let the school know if you have any other questions.

Yours Sincerely

Miss S Cox

Head Teacher