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Dear Parent/Carer,

We would like to assure you that the health and wellbeing of our pupils, staff and visitors is a top priority for us and something we take very seriously. The current Coronavirus, Covid-19, outbreak is naturally a concern to all of us which is why we are following and acting upon the daily advice we receive from the government via the DfE and Public Health England.

We have installed additional hand sanitisers for visitors to use in our reception lobby, the children and staff have been instructed in correct hand washing techniques and wash their hands throughout the day as per advice and the school is cleaned in accordance with guidance given.

To date we have received no advice to change any curriculum or regular school activities including trips or after school clubs. The nature of the outbreak is such that circumstances may change, which is why we are receiving daily updates, but as of today we are being advised to carry on as normal until such point that we may be advised otherwise.

The principle advice given to protect against and prevent the spread of the virus is to thoroughly wash your hands (including between fingers and under finger nails) and we would ask parents to support the school's hand washing by ensuring your child washes their hands before they leave home for school and when they arrive home also as outlined below in advice from the government:-

There are general principles anyone can follow to help prevent the spread of respiratory viruses, including:

- washing your hands often - with soap and water or use alcohol sanitiser if handwashing facilities are not available. This is particularly important after taking public transport
- covering your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throwing the tissue in a bin. See [Catch it, Bin it, Kill it](#)
- people who feel unwell should stay at home and should not attend work or any education or childcare setting
- pupils, students, staff and visitors should wash their hands:
 - before leaving home
 - on arrival at school
 - after using the toilet
 - after breaks and sporting activities
 - before food preparation



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- before eating any food, including snacks
- before leaving school
- use an alcohol-based hand sanitiser that contains at least 60% alcohol if soap and water are not available
- avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands
- avoid close contact with people who are unwell
- clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces
- if you are worried about your symptoms or those of a child or colleague, please call NHS 111. Do not go directly to your GP or other healthcare environment
- see further information on the [Public Health England Blog](#) and the [NHS UK website](#).

Should the advice we receive change we will, of course, act upon it and contact you by text so you are informed of this.

Best regards

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