

3rd March 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

Re: Coronavirus Update

I wanted to send you an update on the latest advice for the Coronavirus that we have received from Public Health England.

To start, I would like to reassure you that the safety of our pupils continues to be our top priority as a Trust, and we will ensure we follow all Government advice to protect them.

Schools have been encouraged not to close unless specifically instructed to by Public Health England.

The guidance we have received stresses the importance of personal hygiene as the most effective means of tackling the coronavirus. We will continue to encourage pupils to wash their hands upon arrival at school, before and after lunch, after breaks and sporting activities, before food preparation, before eating any food, including snacks, and before leaving school. We also ask that children wash their hands with soap and water before leaving home and when they return home from school.

With that in mind I would like to reassure you that we are confident we are offering our students a safe environment in which to attend school. We are ensuring the school is rigorously cleaned on a regular basis and will continue to follow all official guidance.

I would like to assure that we will continue to keep you informed with any information or advice received by the school.

The Government advice can be viewed at <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19> I have attached the key Government guidance for educational settings for ease of reference. This includes information about how to prevent spread of the virus, and what schools/families should do in different scenarios.

Best wishes

James Gentile
Headteacher