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Dear Families,

RE: Coronavirus Advice to Schools

At present we **do not have any cases** of coronavirus. We are all aware of the current concerns about the spread of coronavirus. On 2nd March, a total of 13,525 people have been tested in the UK, of which 40 were positive. We would like to reassure you that the Partnership follows advice for education from Public Health England and Brent Local Authority to ensure we are taking adequate steps to help stop the spread of coronaviruses. **Please Turn Over for an information sheet**

The following actions have been put in place:

- Public Health England information posters to show what to do to lower risk of spreading
- Increased teaching to children of basic hygiene, such as the Catch It/Bin It/Kill It routine, and correct handwashing
- Installation of hand sanitisers around each school, although focus on the importance of regular handwashing
- Monitoring of families travel and discussion with H&S lead before return to school
- Monitoring of staff travel and discussion with H&S lead before return to school
- Governing Body meeting agenda item to discuss coronavirus actions and planning

We are keeping up to date with the current advice and further actions will be implemented as needed.

We ask that families inform us of any travel they have undertaken during the recent holiday weeks and any future plans.

Please can families inform us if anyone you are in contact with becomes diagnosed with COVID-19 (coronavirus)

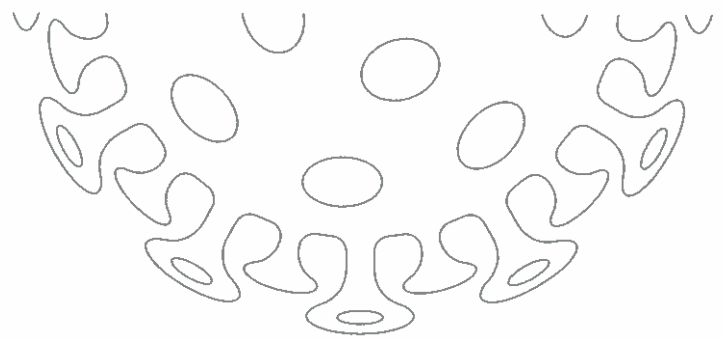
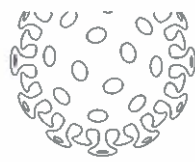
If you have any further questions please see Nisha, Fiona, Lorraine or Mauranne

Best Wishes

Nisha

Executive Head Teacher





Advice on the coronavirus for places of education

How serious is the coronavirus?

- it can cause flu-like symptoms, including fever, cough & difficulty breathing
- the infection is not serious for most people, including children
- there is currently no vaccine
- most people get better with enough rest, water to drink and medicine for pain

How likely are you to catch the virus?

- you can only catch it if you have been close to a person who has the virus
- the chance of being in contact with the virus is currently low in the UK
- if you have travelled to areas where many people are infected, your chance of catching the virus is higher, i.e. China and any affected areas

How can you stop coronaviruses spreading?

If you need to cough or sneeze



Catch it with a tissue



Bin it



Kill it by washing your hands with soap & water or hand sanitiser

You should wash hands with soap & water or hand sanitiser



After breaks & sport activities



Before cooking & eating



On arrival at any childcare or educational setting



After using the toilet



Before leaving home



Try not to touch your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands



Do not share items that come into contact with your mouth such as cups & bottles



If unwell do not share items such as bedding, dishes, pencils & towels



Stop germs spreading with our e-Bug resources on hand and respiratory hygiene lesson plans for KS1, 2 and 3: campaignresources.phe.gov.uk/schools

What should you do if you feel unwell?

Keep away from others and stay at home to stop the infection spreading. Avoid public transport if you think you have symptoms of coronavirus. If you become unwell at a place of education, tell a member of staff and let them know if you have travelled to any other countries in the last 14 days.

If your staff member or parent thinks you have symptoms of coronavirus, they should call **NHS 111** for advice. Follow the UK Government advice for childcare or educational settings [gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19). Parents can visit **NHS.UK** to find out more information. Teachers and support staff should follow the UK Government advice.

Staff, students and pupils who have returned from Iran, specific lockdown areas in northern Italy, special care zones in South Korea or Hubei province China (returned in the past 14 days) should self isolate, and NOT attend education or work for 14 days.

See **NHS.UK** for advice on coronavirus.



If there is an emergency, call 999 immediately