

Coronavirus – 11.03.20

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are conscious that parents and carers may like to know more about the Trust's approach to Coronavirus. We would also like to reassure you that, if the outbreak becomes a significant issue in England, we have policies and procedures in place to be able to manage it. As you will appreciate, this is a rapidly changing situation and we are monitoring the daily official guidance from Public Health England, the Foreign Office and the Department for Education. We are briefed on the latest advice and will be regularly updated by Coventry City Council. There will be increased advice and guidance given to pupils and staff on hygiene control. We will ask and support pupils to:

- Wash their hands with soap and water or hand sanitiser, particularly before eating
- Use a tissue when they cough or sneeze, and then throw it in a bin; avoid touching their eyes, nose or mouth if they have not washed their hands; avoid sharing items such as food and drinks.

We would ask you to stay indoors and avoid contact with other people if you've travelled to the UK from the following places, even if you do not have symptoms:

- anywhere in Italy on or after 9 March
- [specific areas in northern Italy](#) in the last 14 days
- Iran in the last 14 days
- Hubei province in China in the last 14 days
- Daegu, Cheongdo or Gyeongsan in South Korea in the last 14 days

Please stay indoors and avoid contact with other people if you've travelled to the UK from the following places in the last 14 days and have a cough, high temperature or shortness of breath, even if your symptoms are mild:

- Italy (outside [specific areas in northern Italy](#)) before 9 March
- mainland China outside of Hubei province
- South Korea outside of Daegu, Cheongdo and Gyeongsan
- Cambodia
- Hong Kong
- Japan
- Laos
- Macau
- Malaysia
- Myanmar
- Singapore
- Taiwan
- Thailand
- Vietnam

Use the 111 online coronavirus service to find out what to do next. Do not go to a GP surgery, pharmacy or hospital.

Please inform your school if this is the case and non-attendance will of course be authorised. We have increased monitoring of staff travel and any adults who have visited regions of concern will be required to self-isolate as per official government guidance. This advice may be subject to change, depending on developments. We hope that the measures outlined in this letter will help to reassure you that we are following official guidance and managing the situation professionally and appropriately.

Yours faithfully,

Craig Bennett
Head Teacher