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Dear All,

As part of our commitment to update you regularly about the situation with regard to Corona Virus, we have some more information to share with you.

We continue to liaise with Public Health England and the NHS, requesting specific advice with regard to our current situation. Accordingly, three children have been kept home as a purely precautionary measure based on this advice.

We would like to reassure you that there are no confirmed cases of COVID-19 coronavirus in either of our schools, and the self-isolation of the children is just a precaution.

There is current guidance available on the internet and can be read here:

Guidance for educational establishments:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19>

Countries at higher risk:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-specified-countries-and-areas/covid-19-specified-countries-and-areas-with-implications-for-returning-travellers-or-visitors-arriving-in-the-uk>

Update on the situation and general advice:

<https://publichealthmatters.blog.gov.uk/2020/01/23/wuhan-novel-coronavirus-what-you-need-to-know/>

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/wuhan-novel-coronavirus-information-for-the-public>

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/common-questions/>

We share your concerns about the virus and are doing all we can to keep you informed. Some parents have asked for specific details about students. I am sure you understand that we cannot disclose this sort of information, but you can be sure that we will do all we can to keep you informed of the situation as it unfolds.

We would remind you that you are advised to call NHS 111 if any of your family develop fever/shortness of breath/cough. In the meantime, it is vital that everyone takes greater care around general hygiene. It is vital that hands are washed regularly and tissues are used to cover mouths when coughing or sneezing and disposed of carefully. It is vital that those who experience the symptoms described, and anyone in close contact with them, stay at home and call 111 for advice and guidance on how to proceed.

Thank you for your support and understanding. We will update you again as more information becomes available.

Yours sincerely

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