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Thursday, 27 February 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

As you will be aware, the Government has updated its Coronavirus guidance which now includes Italy and the information can be found on this link: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/wuhan-novel-coronavirus-information-for-the-public>

As a school/setting we are keeping up to date with the latest guidance and will take action as appropriate.

If you have returned from these specific areas since **19 February** the guidance is to call NHS 111 stay indoors and avoid contact with other people even if you do not have symptoms.

- Iran
- Specific lockdown areas in Northern Italy as designated by the Government of Italy (see attached map) [Category 1 specified country/area](#)
- Special care zones in South Korea as designated by the Government of the Republic of South Korea
- Hubei province (returned in the past 14 days)

If you have returned from the following areas since **19 February** and develop symptoms (cough, fever or shortness of breath), however mild, you should stay indoors at home and avoid contact with other people immediately and call NHS 111:

- Northern Italy (defined by a line above, and not including, Pisa, Florence and Rimini),
- Vietnam
- Cambodia
- Laos
- Myanmar
- China
- Thailand
- Japan
- Republic of Korea
- Hong Kong
- Taiwan
- Singapore
- Malaysia
- Macau

Please make us aware if your child is having to self-isolate or has developed symptoms and we will discuss the next steps with you in terms of school attendance.

As news of the virus continues to change, I will keep you updated as to if it affects our school via email.

You may be aware that we also have several trips abroad due to take place over the coming weeks:

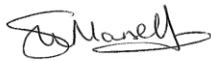
Seville, Spain – 4th to 7th March

Paris, France – 25th to 28th March

Tonale, Italy – 3rd to 11th April

Again, we are closely monitoring the situation in these countries and following the advice given by the Foreign and Commonwealth Office (FCO) and the Local Authority. We will keep the parents of the students that are down to attend these trips updated in the coming days and weeks.

Kind regards



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