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Dear Parents,

**Coronavirus Advice:** I am sure that you have all been following the news carefully with regards to the spread of the coronavirus in recent days. I wanted to share the updated government advice we have received bearing in mind that some families may have travelled abroad during the half term break. The guidance from Public Health England:

Specific Countries and areas		Action
Category 1	Wuhan city and Hubei Province Iran Daegu or Cheongdo (Republic of Korea) Any Italian town under containment measures	Travelers should self-isolate, even if asymptomatic, and call NHS 111 to inform of recent travel.
Category 2	Cambodia, China, Hong Kong, Italy (North), Japan, Laos, Macau, Malaysia, Myanmar, Republic of Korea, Singapore, Taiwan, Thailand, Vietnam	Travelers do not need to undertake any special measures, but if they develop symptoms they should self-isolate and call NHS 111
Any other areas with known cases		Travelers do not need to undertake any special measures, but if they develop symptoms they should self-isolate and call NHS 111

I am also attaching with this a poster which will be displayed in school and gives further helpful guidance. We will continue to closely monitor Government updates. I would ask everyone to take time to read the attached poster to help us keep everyone safe.

We have two very exciting events scheduled for next week:

**Creating a More Positive Future:** On **Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March at 6.30pm** we will be hosting a talk on how best to support children in the face of the current climate crisis. Our children will be picking up all sorts of messages and information surrounding climate change. Indeed, our very successful One Planet Week featured this subject a lot. Jo McAndrews, a trained psychotherapist will be talking about how to help our children during this time. It is welcome to all members of the community. I hope to see you there.

**World Book Day Thursday March 5th:** Following on from the earlier letter, I look forward to seeing some of you at the Story Evening, which is taking place in school, 5.30 – 6.30pm.

Kind regards

Mr A Ferguson  
Headteacher



## **DATES FOR DIARIES**

Wednesday March 4<sup>th</sup>

Thursday March 5<sup>th</sup>

Thursday March 12<sup>th</sup>

Friday March 13<sup>th</sup>

Friday March 20<sup>th</sup>

Wednesday March 25<sup>th</sup>

Thursday March 26<sup>th</sup>

Monday March 30<sup>th</sup>

Tuesday March 31<sup>st</sup>

Friday April 3<sup>rd</sup>

End of term – 3.15pm

Climate Action Meeting: 6.30pm

World Book Day

Bedtime Stories: 5.30 – 6.30pm

Y1 & Y2 assembly: 9.00am

Sport Relief Day

KS2 Movie Night: 3.15 – 5.00pm

Y 3/4/5/ Play: 'Ye Ha!' @ 6.00pm

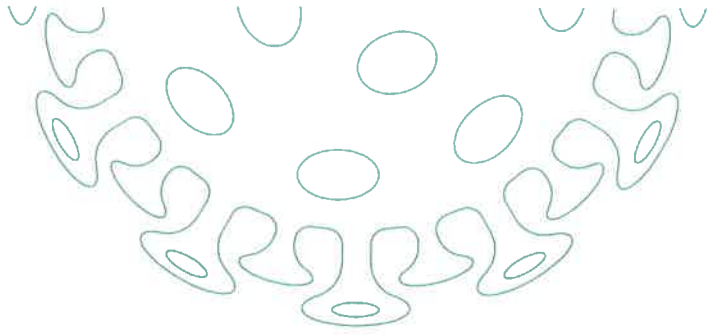
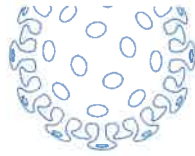
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Parents Evening: 4.00 – 6.20pm

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Easter Service: 9.00am

School returns on Monday April 20th



# 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](https://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 Wuhan and Hubei Province in China 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