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Dear Parents/Carers,

Coronavirus COVID-19

The government is closely monitoring the spread of coronavirus at home and abroad.

The risk to individuals remains low, however we are sharing information with parents/carers, staff and students, *the attached poster is displayed around the Academy.*

You should not be unduly worried about your children catching the Coronavirus and there is no reason why your child should stop attending school at this time.

A campaign has been launched across the UK to slow the spread of Coronavirus, please help to support the campaign which promotes basic hygiene practices:

- washing your hands often - with soap and water, *this is particularly important after taking public transport*
- covering your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throwing the tissue in a bin.
- people who feel unwell should stay at home
- pupils, students, staff and visitors should wash their hands:
 - before leaving home
 - on arrival at school
 - after using the toilet
 - after breaks and sporting activities
 - before food preparation
 - before eating any food, including snacks
 - before leaving school

Use an alcohol-based hand sanitiser that contains at least 60% alcohol if soap and water are not available

- avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands
- avoid close contact with people who are unwell
- clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces


Further information can be found on the Government website:

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

Kind regards
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