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26th February 2020

Dear Parents,



Re: Coronavirus Update

As you will have seen the Coronavirus is dominating the headlines, not least with some schools in the South West of England reporting that students and staff returning from skiing trips in Northern Italy have been asked to remain at home for the obligatory 14 days to ensure they do not come in to contact with others should they have contracted the Coronavirus.

The latest government advice with regard to the Coronavirus, posted yesterday, includes some new areas which if you have returned from them since 19th February you should telephone NHS 111 and stay indoors and avoid contact with other people even if you do not have the symptoms:

- Iran
- Specific lockdown areas in Northern Italy as designated by the Government of Italy
- 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 19th February and develop symptoms, however mild, you should stay indoors at home and avoid contact with other people immediately and call NHS 111. You do NOT need to follow this advice if you have no symptoms:

- Northern Italy (define by a line above, and not including, Pisa, Florence and Rimini)
- Vietnam
- Cambodia
- Laos
- Myanmar.

If you have returned to the UK from any of these areas in the last 14 days and develop symptoms of cough or fever or shortness of breath, you should immediately stay indoors and avoid contact with other people as you would with the flu and call NHS 111 to inform them of your recent travel to the country:

- China
- Thailand
- Japan

- Republic of Korea
- Hong Kong
- Taiwan
- Singapore
- Malaysia
- Macau.

The most up to date information regarding the above can be found on the government's website at <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/wuhan-novel-coronavirus-information-for-the-public>. I will keep you updated should there be any further information that may have a direct or indirect impact on the College.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J Plumb', written in a cursive style.

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Headteacher