



Wednesday, 26 February 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

Coronavirus

Public Health England has updated its advice regarding people who have travelled to certain parts of the world, with reference to Italy in particular. As some pupils and staff may have travelled to Category 1 areas over half-term, we are advising that those people follow the public health advice and self-isolate.

Please inform us immediately if your child has been to one of the Category 1 areas and requires to be self-isolated. If they are at school when you receive this letter, then please arrange for their collection at your earliest opportunity. We will arrange for work to be sent home for any affected children to complete during their absence from school.

Please see the list of affected areas and required actions below:

Category 1: Travellers should self-isolate, even if they have no symptoms, and call NHS 111 to inform of recent travel.

Wuhan City and Hubei Province (China)

Iran

Daegu or Cheongdo (Republic of Korea)

Any of the following Italian towns

- Bertonico
- Casalpusterlengo
- Castelgerundo
- Castiglione D'Adda
- Codogno
- Fombio
- Maleo
- San Fiorano
- Somaglia
- Terranova dei Passerini
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Category 2: Travellers do not need to undertake any special measures, but if they develop symptoms they should self-isolate and call NHS 111.

Cambodia

China (except for those areas highlighted as Category 1 above)

Hong Kong

Italy: North (except for those areas highlighted as Category 1 above)

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Japan

Laos

Macau

Malaysia

Myanmar

Republic of Korea (except for those areas highlighted as Category 1 above)

Singapore

Taiwan

Thailand

Vietnam

We are advising all staff and children on how to prevent the spread of respiratory infections generally and aim to reassure everyone that, for most people who contract the illness, the symptoms are relatively minor. For those who have a compromised immune system, or for the very young or old, it is potentially more dangerous.

We will continue to monitor the advice from Public Health England and update accordingly.

Yours sincerely,

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