

Coronavirus (Covid-19) Update to Parents/Carers



I am aware that there are some concerns around the coronavirus at the moment. Information about this is updated each day by the government via Public Health England. The latest information from Public Health England can be accessed at: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-information-for-the-public>

Information from Public Health England is that those who may have been in contact with someone who has tested positive to coronavirus should contact NHS 111 where they will be given advice and may be told to self-isolate for a period of time. We are not aware of any of our families for whom this is the case at the current time and rest assured that we will liaise on a day by day basis with the organisers/venues of any visits where the children will be out of school to ensure that we do our best to keep everyone safe.

Public Health England has reinforced **the importance of good hand washing for everyone**. We have talked to the children about this today and will continue to reinforce this in school. Advice from Public Health England is that **it is best to wash hands for 20 seconds with soap and warm water**...about the time it takes to sing 'Happy Birthday to you' twice!

NHS advice can be found at: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>

We will keep you updated of any general changes that Public Health England inform schools of and will continue, with the rest of the country, to review procedures and processes in line with advice we receive. Please can we ask for your help in reinforcing the 'hand washing' messages that we are sharing with the children.

Thank you for your help with this.

Yours sincerely, Miss E Beeston