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Dear Parent/Carer

**Re: Coronavirus**

A large amount of information has been shared in the media regarding the current situation involving the Coronavirus across the world. Whilst we do not perceive any immediate risk to the College at this time, it would be prudent to forward the advice we are receiving from Public Health England.

“The government is closely monitoring the spread of the Coronavirus and the overall risk of Coronavirus to the UK remains moderate. However, we understand that people may be concerned where others are returning from or visiting China. Public Health England and the Foreign Office have issued advice for anyone travelling to the area.”

“We recognise that some families may be travelling during half term and, if so, please refer to the Foreign and Commonwealth's latest information and advice via the link below.”

<https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>

There is no reason why students should not continue to attend College as normal; however, there are a number of actions that can be taken to ensure good hygiene practices are maintained.

A UK wide campaign has been launched to provide clear advice on how to slow the spread of Coronavirus.

As always, if you have symptoms of a cold or flu, then there are measures you can take to stop germs:

- ❖ always carry tissues with you and use them to catch your cough or sneeze. Then bin the tissue, and wash your hands, or use a sanitiser gel.
- ❖ wash your hands often with soap and water, especially after using public transport. Use a sanitiser gel 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.

If there is a suspicion of symptoms, please do not attend your GP but call 111 for advice.

For further information, please consult the NHS website for more details.

Yours faithfully

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