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Dear Parent/Carer

Hertfordshire County Council have been in touch with all schools providing guidance in response to the Novel Coronavirus outbreak. We are being through in our duty by passing that on to you. We continue to monitor the situation regularly and are taking an active approach to this complex and changing picture, following the advice of Public Health England (PHE) to ensure the health of our school community.

The advice we are following is regularly updated and I would encourage you to follow these updates on the Government website which offers sensible and unbiased information to anyone who may be worried or concerned:

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

The current information from the World Health Organisation and PHE is clear that there is no immediate cause for concern. The advice provided for schools and workplaces alike is clear:

If any child, or family member develops flu like symptoms (one or more of cough, sneeze, shortness of breath, wheezing, and fever) within fourteen days of return from Wuhan then they should not attend school or work, seek advice by phone from NHS 111 and not return to school/work until after medical advice is received.

With half-term approaching, we ask that any student or family who intends to travel to/from, or have direct contact with anyone from, an original Coronavirus affected area, should inform us immediately so we can take the necessary measures.

Yours faithfully

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