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Friday 13th March 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

In light of the updates regarding Coronavirus (COVID-19), Norwood School would like to reassure you that we are following the latest advice from Public Health England (PHE) and the Department for Education, to ensure the health and wellbeing of our children, staff and the wider school community.

We currently have no specific concerns about anyone within our school community in relation to Coronavirus (COVID-19) and we currently remain open as usual.

We are of course being extra vigilant and encouraging children, parents/carers and staff to continue taking additional precautions, including maintaining high levels of personal hygiene, regularly washing hands and following the Catch it, Bin it, Kill it advice when sneezing or coughing.

We will continue to follow the latest government guidance and keep this under review. This includes providing hand sanitiser throughout school, advice posters displayed in communal areas and continuing to educate and remind children of the need for high levels of personal hygiene.

Should your child exhibit signs of Covid-19, which have been defined as a new, continuous cough or high temperature of 37.8 C, you should ensure they self-isolate for a period of 7 days. We would encourage you to closely monitor the health of your child(ren) and if they show any symptoms your child(ren) should be kept at home and not attend Norwood Primary School.

You should then visit the NHS's website for advice (<https://111.nhs.uk/covid-19>) and **not** attend your local GP Surgery or A&E.

We would also ask that you notify school immediately, to allow to us to take any necessary steps. Our staff have been advised that they must follow the same self-isolation advice.

While there are no current concerns about anyone within our school community, the new, stricter self-isolation guidance could result in staff shortages and should this happen, we may need to consider temporarily part closure of full closure of the school. If this is the case, we will notify you of any closure in the usual way – via our Groupcall Messenger service.

As a school we take our duty of care extremely seriously and we will keep you updated on any further developments should the need arise. If you have any questions in the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

Your sincerely

Mrs D Reynolds
Head Teacher

