

3 March 2020

Dear Parents/Carers

Please see below the latest update from the Department for Education on the Coronavirus situation.

Number of cases

As of 9am on 2 March, a total of 13,525 people have been tested in the UK, of which 13,485 were confirmed negative and 40 positive.

The Department of Health and Social Care will be publishing updated data on this page every day at 2pm until further notice. This data is accurate as of 9am on the day of publication.

If more cases are confirmed in the UK, it will be announced by the Chief Medical Officer of the affected country.

Risk level

Based on the World Health Organization's declaration that this is a public health emergency of international concern, the [UK Chief Medical Officers have raised the risk to the UK from low to moderate](#).

Returning travellers

Stay indoors and avoid contact with other people immediately if you've travelled to the UK from:

- Hubei province in China in the last 14 days, even if you do not have symptoms
- Iran, [lockdown areas in northern Italy](#) or [special care zones in South Korea](#) since 19 February, even if you do not have symptoms
- other parts of mainland China or South Korea, Hong Kong, Japan, Macau, Malaysia, Singapore, Taiwan or Thailand in the last 14 days and have a cough, high temperature or shortness of breath (even if your symptoms are mild)
- other parts of northern Italy (anywhere north of Pisa, Florence and Rimini), Cambodia, Laos, Myanmar or Vietnam since 19 February and have a cough, high temperature or shortness of breath (even if your symptoms are mild)

Use the [111 online coronavirus service](#) to find out what to do next.

Do not go to a GP surgery, pharmacy or hospital.

Lockdown areas in northern Italy:

- in Lombardy: Codogno, Castiglione d'Adda, Casalpusterlengo, Fombio, Maleo, Somaglia, Bertinico, Terranova dei Passerini, Castelgerundo and San Fiorano
- in Veneto: Vo' Euganeo

Special care zones in South Korea:

- Daegu
- Cheongdo

See [maps of the specified areas](#).

This guidance is based on the recommendations of the UK Chief Medical officers. These areas have been identified because of the volume of air travel from affected areas, understanding of other travel routes and number of reported cases. This list will be kept under review.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-specified-countries-and-areas/covid-19-specified-countries-and-areas-with-implications-for-returning-travellers-or-visitors-arriving-in-the-uk>

Please make us aware if your child is having to self isolate or has developed symptoms and we will discuss the next steps with you in terms of school attendance.

As news of the virus continues to change I will keep you updated as to if it affects our school.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Cate Cusick', written in a cursive style.

Dr C Cusick
Head of School