

Dear Parent/Carer

We have been asked by the Department for Education to inform you of the steps being taken in relation to the coronavirus. It is as follows:

- The Government is closely monitoring the spread of the coronavirus and is taking action at home and abroad
- The overall risk of coronavirus to the UK remains moderate. However, we understand that people may be concerned where there are children, students or staff returning from or visiting China
- Public Health England and the Foreign Office have offered advice for anyone travelling to the area – this can be found at <https://www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice/china>

Advice for Parents & Carers:

- You should not be unduly worried about the possibility of your children catching the coronavirus
- There is no reason why your child should not continue to attend their early years, school or further education setting as normal
- If you or your family is planning to travel to china during the forthcoming half-term period, please refer to the travel advice above

What action you can take:

- A UK-wide campaign has been launched to provide clear advice on how to slow the spread of coronavirus. Please support the campaign and promote basic hygiene practices as outlined on their page

Yours faithfully



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CORONAVIRUS: PUBLIC INFORMATION

The Government and NHS are well prepared to deal with this virus.

You can help too.

Germs can live on some surfaces for hours.

To protect yourself and others:

- Always carry tissues with you and use them to catch your cough or sneeze.
- Bin the tissue, and to kill the germs, wash your hands with soap and water, or use a sanitiser gel.
- If you have arrived back from China within 14 days follow the specific advice for returning travellers.

This is the best way to slow the spread of almost any germs, including Coronavirus.

Find out more at [gov.uk/coronavirus](https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus)

