Lane End Primary School

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Re: Coronavirus concerns

Dear parent/carer,

You're likely aware of the outbreak of novel coronavirus and the subsequent confirmed cases in the UK. At Lane End Primary School we take the health and safety of our pupils and staff very seriously, so we're sharing guidance from Public Health England on steps you should be taking.

There's currently no cause for concern at the school, but we'll keep you informed about any developments and ensure we're keeping the school clean to prevent the spread of any virus.

Prevent the spread of infection

Make sure you and your children follow these general principles to prevent spreading any respiratory virus:

- Wash your hands often – with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, or an alcohol-based sanitiser if soap and water aren't available
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in a bin
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces in the home
- If you're worried about your symptoms, please call NHS 111 – don't go directly to your GP or other healthcare environment.

If you or your children have returned from a country/area known to have cases of Coronavirus (Only if you've returned on or after 19 February 2020)

Contact NHS 111 for advice, and:

- Self-isolate for 14 days after leaving the country or area
- If you become unwell, call NHS 111 immediately for an assessment (or 999 if you require emergency medical attention) – see for the **symptoms to look out for.**

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If you or your children are well:

- You don't need to avoid contact with other people
- Your other family members don't need to take any precautions or make any changes to their own activities

If you become unwell (see below for a list of symptoms):

- Stay indoors and avoid contact with other people as you would with other flu viruses
- Call NHS 111 immediately for an assessment (or 999 if you require emergency medical attention)
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Symptoms to look out for

If you've returned from **a country/area known to have cases of Coronavirus**, look out for the following symptoms:

- Cough
- Difficulty in breathing
- Fever (a temperature of 38 degrees C or higher)

According to other official guidance while you wait for further advice:

- Avoid contact with others
- Stay at home – don't go to work or school
- Don't travel while sick
- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your sleeve (not your hands) when coughing or sneezing, throwing tissues in the bin
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds (or an alcohol-based sanitiser if soap and water aren't available)

If you or your child have any further concerns or questions, please do not hesitate to contact the office staff.

Yours sincerely

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