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Dear Parents,

**Updated information on Coronavirus**

I am writing to give you the latest updated information on coronavirus for schools and educational settings. We are receiving daily updates from the Department of Education and Public Health England.

**Hygiene** -The most important messages are:

 ensure we all wash our hands thoroughly and regularly using soap and hot water for at least 30 seconds and dry them thoroughly.

 use a tissue when you cough or sneeze, throw it into a bin and kill any germs by washing your hands.

 If a pupil does not have a tissue ready we are following Public Health England advice whereby students should cough into their sleeve.

**Potential Coronavirus Cases** - If you suspect that you or a member of your family may have contracted Coronavirus, or you have recently returned from a high risk area, it is very important for you to follow Public Health England (PHE) advice which is updated daily and can be accessed via the link below:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/public-health-england>

PHE advice to schools is very clear that if we have cases or potential cases we must contact them and they will give us clear instructions on whether the school should remain open and what action we should take. We will follow this advice exactly so that we are following expert opinion rather than making our own decisions which could inadvertently make matters worse. It is also very clear that the intention is to keep schools open.

**What happens if we have to close -** Our Ledbury Cluster of schools are working closely together to make contingency plans if one of our schools has to close. We will keep you informed of any decisions we have to make.

In the meantime, keep yourselves healthy and well. Plenty of healthy food, exercise and sleep will ensure our immune systems are in a strong place to fight any illness. Thank you for your support and understanding during this very difficult period.

Kindest regards,

Donna Jones

Head teacher



If you have recently travelled to the following high risk areas please let our office staff know before entering the school premises:

* Cambodia
* China
* Hong Kong
* Iran

* Italy
* Japan
* Laos
* Macau
* Malaysia
* Myanmar (Burma)
* Singapore
* South Korea
* Taiwan
* Tenerife – only the H10 Costa Adeje Palace Hotel
* Thailand
* Vietnam

**In the interest of strict hygiene procedures, please use the anti-bacterial hand gel provided before entering the building.**

**Thank you for your co-operation.**

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