

17th March 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

Following on from my letter yesterday regarding the international outbreak of Coronavirus, I am writing to update you with further information today.

As I informed you, our Apollo schools are following government and Public Health England guidelines. New measures announced last night by the Prime Minister are to be put into effect in our schools.

This means that:-

- If one person in any household has a persistent cough or fever, everyone living there must stay at home for 14 days. *Please note, that if you have notified us of this and are therefore self-isolating, we will not be accepting any students back into any of our schools until this 14 day period has ended. Should your child be off school for this reason, please contact your school, who will ensure work is sent home.
- Clear guidance will be given regarding completion of this work.
- To avoid both non-essential travel and large gatherings, we have cancelled all school trips, parents evenings and concerts etc.
- In addition, all lettings both during the day and in the evenings, will be cancelled from Saturday morning.
- At the moment, government guidance is that schools are to remain open and closures may be necessary in the weeks ahead but only 'at the right stage' of the outbreak. Please rest assured that the safety of our entire school community is paramount. We are monitoring each school on a daily basis.
- Our priority is to ensure that we have contingency plans in place should staffing reach a level where we have to partially close. Special priority will be given to our year 11, 12 and 13 students who are undertaking exams in the summer. Should this occur, I will write to you with further information.

In the meantime, we will continue to keep you fully informed.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Yours faithfully



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