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Dear Parents,

As you may be aware there has been lots in the news recently regarding the Coronavirus so we would like to reassure you that the school is receiving advice from Health Protection England to ensure that all our pupils remain safe. There is no reason why your children should not continue to attend school as normal.

The advice to date is that we would encourage all staff and pupils of the importance of good hygiene practices to stop the spread of infection. All classes have boxes of tissues for the pupils to use and all pupils are being regularly reminded throughout the day that hands should be washed with soap and water, even if hands are visibly clean. Shared areas and door handles are also being cleaned throughout the day to prevent the spread of infection.

School trips

Hazelbury will undertake a risk assessment for each of the planned activities and for the locations to which children are being taken. The general public have not been asked to vary any of their normal activities in response to coronavirus other than practicing good general hygiene measures (see attached poster from the NHS). People who have travelled to countries such as China are given advice on what they should do on their return to avoid passing on infection if they become ill.

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 help to support the campaign which promotes basic hygiene practices, such as regularly washing hands and always sneezing into a tissue, to stem the spread of viruses.

Key source of information for the public

- <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/wuhan-novel-coronavirus-information-for-the-public>

If you have any further concerns do not hesitate to contact the school office,

Yours Sincerely

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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)