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RE: COVID-19 (Coronavirus)

Dear Parent/Carer

We continue to hear in the news the way in which the country is preparing for the inevitable outbreak of COVID-19 (Coronavirus) as a significant national issue. The government's plan as updated by the Prime Minister yesterday evening, has moved into the delay phase. All schools have been advised to remain open and therefore we expect all students to be in the academy unless they are symptomatic, have been advised by Public Health England (PHE) or NHS 111 to remain at home or are otherwise unwell. We continue to update our website with information including the Department for Education (DfE) helpline. We also receive daily updates from the DfE and regular information from PHE. We continue to act in line with this advice. Currently, the academy has no reported confirmed cases of the virus.

Whilst the academy remains open, we have put in place procedures for school closure if this becomes a government decision. Should this directive arise from government, we would wish to continue to prioritise the education and wellbeing of our students, particularly those who are preparing for public examinations.

To this end, I would ask all parents / carers of the academy across all phases to ensure that if you have changed your address, email address or phone number, that you let the academy know asap so that we have all modes of communication available so that we can get information to families effectively and efficiently. In addition, please check any log-ins for platforms such as classcharts or any other web based learning information for which your child can gain access as it would be the most likely way in which we would provide work to students. It is vital that this information is provided immediately in order to support us to support your child should the academy need to close.

We continue to require your support to reinforce key messages as we advise our students of the need for good basic hygiene including the importance of hand washing and ensuring that if they do have a cough or sneeze, they use and dispose of tissues in the bin. Our cleaning staff have, as a precaution, increased their checks on hand wash in toilets and are ensuring that doors, handles and surfaces are thoroughly disinfected regularly. Of course, from Monday, the Prime Minister has advised that continuous coughing or fever should lead to self-isolation. Please do inform the academy if your child is affected in this way.

I will continue to keep you posted if the advice changes at any point. In line with the advice that you will have seen in the news and Public Health England, we ask that you speak with your child to remind them of the minimal risk but the sensible actions that they can take to protect themselves and the academy community. We will continue to have these conversations with the students in the academy also.

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Should you have any further concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the academy.

Warm regards and best wishes

Allison Moise-Dixon
Principal and CEO