

# All Hallows RC High School

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#### Dear Parent/Guardian

You will be aware that the Coronavirus has been dominating the news of late, and so we felt it would be useful to inform you about All Hallows' context and response.

As of today, All Hallows has <u>not</u> been affected in any way as we have not been made aware of any contacts with infected people or regions, nor are we aware of anyone travelling home from the regions outlined below.

Therefore as with the overwhelming majority of schools in England, All Hallows continues to be open and operating as usual. As you would expect, we are closely monitoring advice from the Government and Salford LA.

As parents, you can help by continuing your daily lives as normal, but <u>do</u> inform us if you or your child/ren have recently travelled to the areas outlined in the attached advice, or in the unlikely event that you have been in contact with an infected person.

All of us, and perhaps especially children, can help by maintaining good hygiene routines. In particular the advice is to:

- Frequently clean hands by using alcohol-based hand rub or soap and water;
- When coughing and sneezing cover mouth and nose with flexed elbow or tissue throw tissue away immediately and wash hands;
- Avoid close contact with anyone who has fever and cough;
- If you have fever, cough and difficulty breathing seek medical care early and share previous travel history with your health care provider;

I hope you find this update useful.

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Yours sincerely

A Cavanagh

**Head Teacher** 

## **Advice from Public Health**

## Re: COVID-19 Advice for schools and educational settings

You may be aware that advice for travellers from affected areas has recently changed and it has come to our attention that this may affect children and staff returning from holidays and trips. Please be aware that this is a fast-evolving situation and we will continue to share any new advice at the earliest opportunity.

As of today (25th February) advice for returning travellers is as follows;

- 1) If you have returned from the following areas **since February 19**, call NHS111 to inform them of your recent travel, stay indoors and avoid contact with other people **even if you do not have symptoms:** 
  - Iran
  - Specific lockdown areas in Northern Italy\* as designated by the Government of Italy: In the Lombardy Region:
    - Bertonico; Casalpusterlengo; Castelgerundo; Castiglione D'Adda; Codogno; Fombio; Maleo; San Fiorano; Somaglia; and Terranova dei Passerini

In the Veneto Region: Vo

A map has been published to help detail the relevant areas.

- Daegu or Cheongdo (Republic of Korea)
- Hubei province, China (returned in the past 14 days)
- 2) If you have returned from the following areas since February 19th:
  - Northern Italy (see map)
  - Vietnam
  - Cambodia
  - Laos
  - Myanmar

Or If you have returned to the UK from any of the following areas in the last 14 days:..

- · Other parts of China outside Hubei province
- Thailand
- Japan
- Republic of Korea
- Hong Kong
- Taiwan
- Singapore
- Malaysia
- Macau

You can go about your daily business as normal, however <u>if you develop symptoms</u>, you should stay indoors at home and avoid contact with other people immediately and call NHS111 **only if you develop symptoms**.

Information for the public: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/guidance/wuhan-novel-coronavirus-information-for-the-public">https://www.gov.uk/guidance/wuhan-novel-coronavirus-information-for-the-public</a>

Occasionally, one or more of your staff or pupils may be asked to self-isolate because they are a contact of a confirmed case or have been to the specified towns and regions in Italy or other specified countries. The student or staff member will be given specific advice from NHS111. In this instance there is nothing further for the school to do. **There is no need for schools to close.**