

Coronavirus – Advice for all Schools

The following guidance was issued by the Government to Local Authorities on Tuesday 4th February.

The Government is closely monitoring the spread of the Coronavirus and is taking action at home and abroad.

The overall risk of Coronavirus to the UK remains moderate. However, we understand that people may be concerned where there are children, students or staff returning from or visiting China.

Public Health England and the Foreign Office have issued advice for anyone travelling to the area. This can be found [here](#) and [here](#).

Latest information and advice can also be found [here](#).

Please share this advice with your staff and cascade as appropriate.

Advice for parents/guardians

You should not be unduly worried about the possibility of your children catching the Coronavirus.

There is no reason why your children should not continue to attend school as normal.

We recognise that some families or children may be planning to travel to China during the forthcoming half-term period. If so, please refer to the FCO's latest travel advice via the link above.

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.

You can do this by:

- Displaying [this](#) poster in relevant public spaces.
- Sharing DHSC content from the following social media links:
 - [Twitter](#)
 - [Facebook](#)
 - [LinkedIn](#)

We will share further information as it emerges and we expect the DfE to issue further guidance at the appropriate time.