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Dear Parent/Carer

### **Coronavirus Update**

Cases of Covid-19 are spreading in a large number of countries across the world. Whilst the number in the UK is still relatively low they are rising steadily each day.

Schools receive daily government guidance, and we are in regular contact with the Local Authority and Learn Sheffield regarding the city-wide situation. Advice suggests it is very likely that the number of cases will continue to rise during the next few weeks.

So far government strategy has been to try and limit the number of infections; this was called the **Contain Stage**. This advice has now changed to the **Delay Stage**. During this, the focus is to slow down rates of infection as it moves into the general population.

In the light of this our school and trust is planning for any eventuality. We are also talking appropriately to students during the next few days to inform and reassure them.

**At this current time school is open and operating as usual, and students who are well are expected to attend every day.**

**However Government advice is people with a temperature of 37.8C or above and/or a persistent cough should self-isolate for 7 days. This means any students with those symptoms should not attend school for a full week.**

**All overseas school trips are banned until further notice - we have several trips in the calendar, we can't say when the ban will be lifted. We ask for you to monitor the situation and be patient and we will update you on the situation with individual trips as we know it. Obviously if they do not go ahead recovering your money will be our aim.**

**Trips in the UK are currently going ahead but do not send your child if they are unwell.**

As always our school will continue follow national guidance. As and when the situation changes for our school, following advice, we will contact you again.

I have also attached a separate letter from Sheffield's Director of Public Health which schools have been asked to circulate.

Yours faithfully

**Mr P Haigh**  
Headteacher



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