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Dear Parents/ Carers,

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Re: Coronavirus concerns

You are undoubtedly aware of the outbreak of Covid-19 and the subsequent confirmed cases in the UK. At Rackham (CE) Primary School, we take the health and safety of our pupils and staff very seriously, so we're sharing guidance from Public Health England on steps you should be taking.

There's currently no cause for concern at the school, but we'll keep you informed about any developments.

As a school we are receiving advice from the Government as they monitor Coronavirus – Corvid-19. The advice for any persons returning from travel depends on the area they have visited and you can read about the areas using the link below. Travellers from high risk areas should self-isolate immediately and contact NHS 111 to speak to a medical representative.

Travellers from other areas listed who have no symptoms are advised to monitor their health for 14 days from their return date, but self-isolate and contact NHS 111 if symptoms emerge.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-specified-countries-and-areas/covid-19-specified-countries-and-areas-with-implications-for-returning-travellers-or-visitors-arriving-in-the-uk>

We are all advised to pay attention to updates from Public Health Matters, see the link below, this site is being updated daily at 2pm.

<https://publichealthmatters.blog.gov.uk/2020/01/23/wuhan-novel-coronavirus-what-you-need-to-know/>

Both in class and in assemblies this week we have ensured children are reminded about using tissues to catch, bin and kill germs, to wash hands effectively with soap and to use sanitiser gel as required. In addition, the school was deep cleaned last night.

I have also attached a poster from Public Health England which has been provided for education settings. The information on this poster is being shared with all staff and pupils at Rackham.

Thank you for your continued co-operation,

Kind regards,



Mrs B Harrison
Headteacher

