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Dear Parents / Carers

You may have seen the recent media reports concerning the coronavirus which is a current and evolving global issue with the emerging picture changing daily.

The Governing Body and Newchurch team wanted to take this opportunity to reassure you that we are working closely with Warrington Borough Council and Public Health England to ensure that we have robust incident management plans in place to ensure that we are fully equipped to deal with a local incident, should this situation arise in the near future. Each day we are getting updates regarding how schools should respond.

Currently the advice is that parents should continue to send their children in as normal.

In order to prevent the spread of infection, schools are being advised to promote the following:

- Washing hands often with soap and water or an alcohol-based hand sanitiser that contains at least 60 percent alcohol
- Catching coughs or sneezes with tissues, then throwing the tissue in a bin
- Ensuring people who feel unwell stay at home and do not attend work or school
- Encouraging pupils, staff and visitors to wash their hands:
 - Before leaving home.
 - On arrival at the school.
 - After using the toilet.
 - After breaks and sporting activities.
 - Before preparing food.
 - Before eating any food.
 - Before leaving school.
- Avoiding touching eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands
- Avoiding close contact with people who are unwell
- Cleaning and disinfecting frequently touched objects and surfaces

We can assure you that our teaching staff have been fully briefed and we will continue to encourage a high standard of hygiene and hand washing.

As always, we will keep you updated in the event of any further guidance but if you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us.

With kindest regards,

Mrs Jayne Narraway (Headteacher)



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