



# NORTHOLT HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear parents / carers

Given the large amount of media attention and increasing concern about the Coronavirus, I thought that it would be worth me updating you about actions we have taken at school concerning this. To reassure you, I can let you know that the Department for Education are sending out a daily briefing document to all schools. This means that as the situation changes we are kept well informed.

So far our advice has been to alert students to take two positive steps to limit the potential spread of the virus, which are detailed below.

1. Wash hands more frequently than usual, for example when on arrival to school, before eating, after using the toilet, when getting back home after school.
2. Use tissues when coughing or sneezing, throwing used tissues in the bin.

Form tutors have shared this message with your children and we are also reminding students in assemblies. We have refreshed our posters asking students to wash their hands and have ordered tissues so that we have more of these available for students to use. We are also awaiting delivery of antibacterial hand gel.

The other advice has been about making sure that appropriate precautions are taken if travelling abroad. Please see details [here](#) of the Government's action plan if you have travelled to an affected area recently.

The Department for Education recognises that there may be high levels of concern in school communities and so has set up a helpline which is dedicated to schools. This is for school staff, students and parents to use if they have any questions about the Coronavirus outbreak. Please feel free to use this helpline which you can access between 8am and 6pm Monday to Friday on 0800 046 8687 or by emailing [DFE.coronavirushelpline@education.gov.uk](mailto:DFE.coronavirushelpline@education.gov.uk)

Please let me know if you have any questions. I will of course let you know if there are any further developments.

Yours sincerely

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