

16 March 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

Hungerhill School continues to monitor guidance from the Department for Education and Public Health England regarding Coronavirus. As I am sure you are aware, the Government updated their Coronavirus guidance on Friday 13 March and moved to the “delay” phase of their Coronavirus action plan. The current advice is that if anyone who displays certain symptoms (a high temperature of 37.8 degrees and above and a new, contagious cough) they should remain at home for 7 days, regardless of whether they have travelled to affected areas. All parents are urged to follow this advice should they feel that their child is displaying any of the above symptoms. Should you feel this is necessary, please ensure that you have contacted the school advising self-isolation and state the expected return date of your child.

Please do not expect school staff to decide whether your child should be self-isolating; this is a decision for you as a parent to make. The 111 website has an online questionnaire for you to use if you are concerned about any symptoms that you or a family member are displaying. I strongly advise that you follow the government guidance properly in order to protect yourself and others.

Current advice remains in place: no education or children’s social care setting should close in response to a suspected or confirmed Coronavirus case unless advised to do so by Public Health England. However, as per my update last week, we continue to plan in the unlikely event of a school closure. To this end, all children should be aware of their log in details for Frog Learn (our home learning portal) as this is the platform we will be using for remote learning. If your child does not know their log in details, they will need to see the ICT Support Team as a matter of urgency.

It is imperative that we have the correct contact information so that information can be shared swiftly in the event of a closure. Please contact the school if any updates to contact details are required.

I would like to take this opportunity to ask that you kindly remind your child of the hygiene steps they should be taking to avoid the possible spread of the Coronavirus. As previously communicated, hand sanitisers have been issued across the school and are available in key areas and within every classroom or teaching base.

I have again included links from the Department for Education in regards to Coronavirus including a helpline number should you need it.

- <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-information-for-the-public>



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- <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19>
- <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>

**Phone:** 0800 046 8687

**Email:** [DfE.coronavirushelpline@education.gov.uk](mailto:DfE.coronavirushelpline@education.gov.uk)

Opening hours: 8am to 6pm (Monday to Friday)


Thank you for your continued support and understanding.

Yours sincerely



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