

12th March 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

Re: School Plans around Covid-19 (Coronavirus)

You will be aware that the Government is rapidly updating guidance around how to manage Covid-19 (Coronavirus). Here at DWHS, we continue to operate normally and do not anticipate any problems unless circumstances significantly alter. I would like to reassure you that there are not any cases of Coronavirus in school at present.

Should we become aware of anyone in the school who has tested positive for the virus, I will seek advice from Public Health England immediately about the next steps that need to be taken. In this instance, I would of course, communicate with parents and carers immediately.

The school will not close unless Public Health authorities require it to close. Should that be the case, we will inform you via the Parent App and the school website. At that time, we would also share information regarding access to teaching and learning materials and expectations of students to continue learning for the duration of closure.

We have a number of Educational Visits planned for the coming weeks and months including UK and overseas residential trips. I would like to reassure you that we are closely monitoring the latest advice to schools. In accordance with the Government advice today, it is 'business as usual'.

For students undertaking examinations in the Summer, Ofqual's advice is to continue to prepare as normal, as all public examinations are expected to run in the usual way.

Please may I reiterate that any school closure, either partial or full, is not something we anticipate happening at present. However, as I am sure you understand, it is my duty to inform you of our plans should such an emergency arise.

Yours faithfully,



Ms R Walsh
Headteacher

