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Dear Parents / Carers,

### Coronavirus, advice and update

We are conscious that parents and pupils may like to know more about Chiswick School's approach to Coronavirus. We would also like to reassure you that, if the outbreak becomes a significant issue in England, we have considered procedures in place to be able to manage it. In the unlikely event that the school were to be asked to close staff will be setting work using the Show My Homework platform for each lesson. Staff will aim to be available to respond to questions from students although this would depend on their personal circumstances. We would also be setting a big question and project plan which students could complete using their knowledge organisers if your home does not have WiFi. All students should be aware of how to use Show My Homework and please ensure that you are also familiar with this. We will also be monitoring the email [enquiries@chiswickschool.org](mailto:enquiries@chiswickschool.org).

As you will appreciate, this is a rapidly evolving situation and we are monitoring daily the official guidance from Public Health England, the Foreign Office and the Department for Education. So far, there have been no cases of Coronavirus at Chiswick School. However, we are enhancing our cleaning regimes appropriately, in accordance with government guidance. We are displaying the posters provided to us and please also talk to your child to ensure they wash their hands with soap and water or hand sanitiser, particularly before eating. If you would like your son or daughter to bring hand sanitiser to school, we are happy for them to do so; they should use a tissue when they cough or sneeze, and then throw it in a bin; avoid touching their eyes, nose or mouth if they have not washed their hands; avoid sharing items such as drinks.

The official guidance for any pupil or parent who would like more information can be found on this webpage <https://www.gov.uk/government/topical-events/coronavirus-covid-19-uk-government-response>

An information area has been set up on the School website:

<https://www.chiswickschool.org/416/announcements/announcement/51/announcement/?home=1>

to keep you updated with information as it changes and also provide answers to some frequently asked questions. We hope that the measures outlined in this letter will help to reassure you that our schools are following official guidance and managing the situation professionally and appropriately.

Yours faithfully

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