Dear parents/carers,

Many of you may have taken trips abroad during the half term and we are mindful that some people are concerned about the spread of the Coronavirus and would like some advice regarding it.

The Department for Health has issued new guidance relating to Coronavirus today, due to a spike in the number of cases reported in parts of Italy, and I have summarised the advice below:

1. If you have returned from the following specific areas since 19 February 2020, you should call NHS111 and stay indoors and avoid contact with other people **even if you do not have symptoms**:

- Iran
- Specific lockdown areas in Northern Italy as designated by the Government of Italy (see below)
- Special care zones in South Korea as designated by the Government of the Republic of South Korea
- Hubei province (returned in the past 14 days)

2. If you have returned from the following areas since 19 February 2020 and have no symptoms, you can continue to go to work/school but if you develop symptoms, however mild, you should stay indoors at home and avoid contact with other people immediately and call NHS111.

- Northern Italy (defined by a line above, and not including, Pisa, Florence and Rimini),
- Vietnam
- Cambodia
- Laos
- Myanmar

If you would like to check the latest information about coronavirus please use this link <u>https://www.gov.uk/guidance/wuhan-novel-coronavirus-information-for-the-public</u> or call the NHS on 111. If you have any concerns, please contact your GP surgery for further advice.