



11 February 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

Coronavirus

We have received advice from the Department of Education (DofE) regarding the Coronavirus. The overall risk of Coronavirus to the UK remains moderate. The purpose of this letter is to share the guidance that we have received with you which emphasises the importance of good hygiene.

Advice for Parents/Carers

The DofE has advised that you should not unduly be worried about the possibility of your child catching the Coronavirus and there is no reason why your child should not continue to attend school as normal.

The DofE recognises that some families or children may be planning to travel to China during the forthcoming half term period. If so, please refer to the FCO's latest travel advice via the link below.

Public Health England and the Foreign Office have issued advice for anyone travelling or returning from the area. This can be found at:

- <https://www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice/china>
- <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/wuhan-novel-coronavirus-and-avian-flu-advice-for-travel-to-china>

What action can we take

A UK wide campaign has been launched to provide clear advice on how to slow the spread of Coronavirus.

Please help to support the campaign which promotes basic hygiene practices, such as regularly washing hands and always sneezing into a tissue, to stem the spread of viruses.

Latest information and advice can also be found at:

- <https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>

We will regularly monitor the wider situation and will keep you informed of any further guidance that we receive.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Toby Eastaugh'.

Toby Eastaugh
Principal

Vale of York Academy
Rawcliffe Drive, Clifton (Without),
York YO30 6ZS
Tel: 01904 560000
Email: hello@voy.hlt.academy
www.valeofyorkacademy.org