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Dear Parent/carers

## The following advice has been issued from the Department for Education (DfE)

### Advice for all early years' providers, school and further education providers

The government is closely monitoring the spread of the Coronavirus and is taking action at home and abroad. The overall risk of Coronavirus to the UK remains moderate. However, we understand that people may be concerned where there are children, students or staff returning from or visiting China.

Public Health England and the Foreign Office have issued advice for anyone travelling to 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>

Latest information and advice can also be found at:

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

### Advice for parents/guardians

You should not be unduly worried about the possibility of your children catching the Coronavirus. There is no reason why your children should not continue to attend their early years, school or further education setting as normal.

We recognise 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 above.

### What action you can take

Everyone is asked to promote basic hygiene practices, such as regularly washing hands and always sneezing into a tissue, to stem the spread of viruses. We have been reminding the children the importance of doing so.

In the unlikely event that you are travelling to China over the coming months or come into **close** contact with someone who has just returned from China and not been tested 'negative' for Coronavirus, please contact the school office, so that we can seek further advice.

Yours sincerely

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